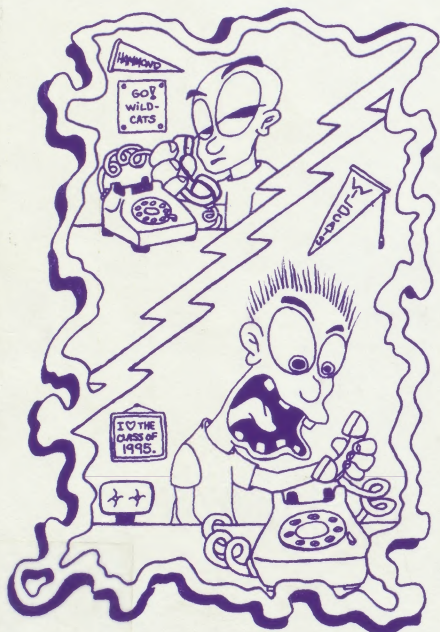


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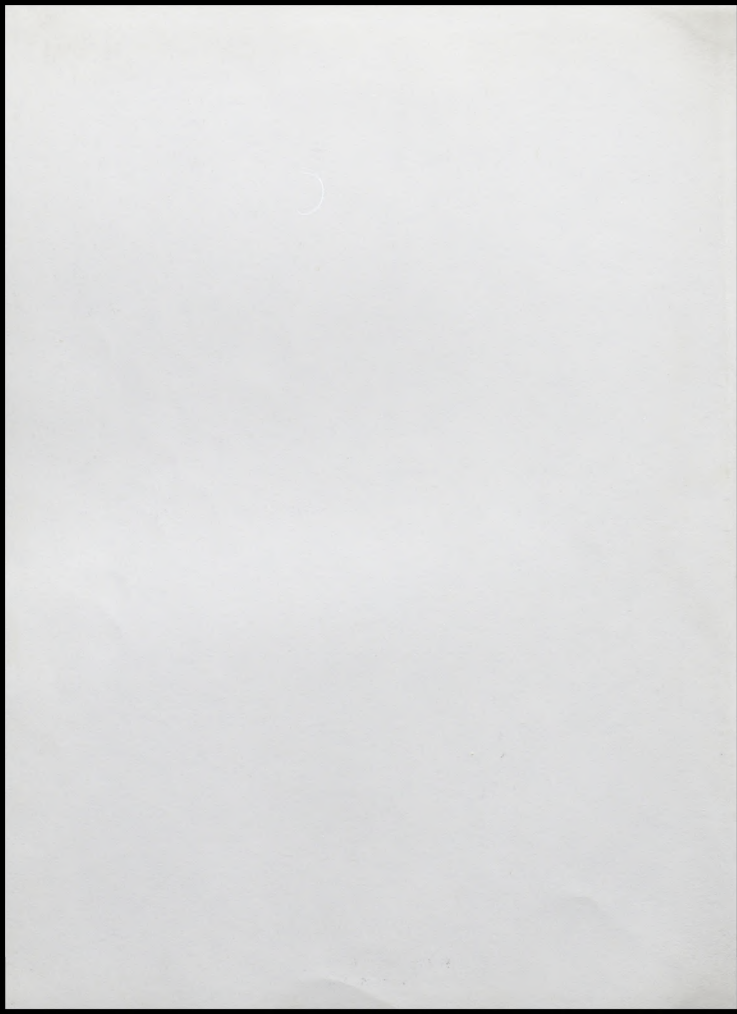


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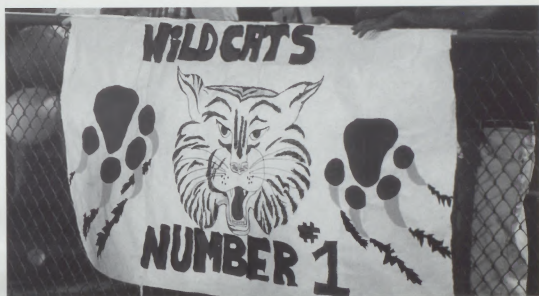






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Some called the 1994-95 school year "The Year of the Wildcats". They were right.

## Dunes 1995

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demned...These are just a few of the things that made the 1994-95 school year a year to remember and worthy of being called "The Year of the Wildcats". So come along and join the yearbook staff as we chronicled Hammond High's events throughout the past year. See what was new and what was what. Look back at the events that made you say, **Say What?!?**



**WILDCAT ROYALTY.** Willie the Wildcat leads the Homecoming Court along with last year's Homecoming Queen Veronica Castellanos.



**ROLANDO BE NIMBLE, ROLANDO BE QUICK!** Senior Rolando Castellanos jumps over the bonfire at the homecoming hayride as fellow senior Mike Pote prepares to perform the same feat. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

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PURPLE PRIDE! Enough said.

SOME SERIOUS DANCING! Junior Heather Hinken gets down at the Red Ribbon Dance. Photo by: T. Bulatorich



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Freshman Jeremy Prosk sneaks a peak at the camera during the Parent/Student Open House at the beginning of the school year.

Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Don't hate me because I'm beautiful! Donning a sporty paisley tie, Brian Monberg flexes his ego before an important debate. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Happy Halloween Hammond High! Guess who? (Here's a hint: Senior Takita Sanders) Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Rallying the troops, rushing expert Torrey Chambliss wows the crowd at the annual Homecoming pep rally.

Cheerleader Maria Spector revives Willie before the L.C. football battle. L. Morgan

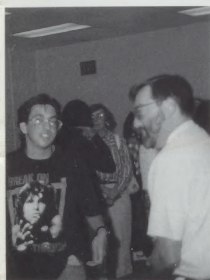
Having spirit can be fun! Seniors Rick Barron and Lymarie Alicia take a trip down Memory Lane on Kiddie Day. Photo by: T. Hendrix





Senior Bernice Flores waits for her male companions to sweep her off her feet during the Hispanic Heritage Program. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

One scoop or two? Johnny Serbentas at work in Bresler's Ice Cream in Woodmar Mall. Photo by: T. Bulatovich





CHARGE! The Wildcat football team makes its festive grand entrance during the Homecoming battle against the Highland Trojans.



## Space... The Final Frontier

The voyages of the Hammond High Wildcat Varsity football team brought Hammond High undefeated into Homecoming Week 1994. After defeating Gavit, Clark, and Griffith, the Cats were ready to take on the Highland Trojans.

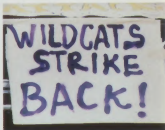
The festivities began on Monday with Class Colors Day. The intercom blared, "Tuesday is Kiddie Day, so let your mommy dress you!" The halls were filled with hippie chicks and daddy-os on Wednesday for Hippie Day. Thursday was a celebration of space and students dressed according to their class themes. After school the main hallways were transformed into a space odyssey.

Finally the big day arrived. The gym was alive with the sight of homemade banners and the sound of noisemakers as the students watched senior Dave Cline being set-up for a game of Simon Says during the pep assembly. After school, the annual Homecoming parade took place. It was the largest parade in the history of Hammond High School. That night, among the cheers of an enthusiastic crowd and the music of the band, the Queen was crowned and the Wildcats pulled off a victory. It was a giant leap for the Wildcat football team and the perfect ending to a week full of fun and excitement.

by: Tiffany Hendrix



Finding time to pose for the camera, Willie the Wildcat shows off the JV cheerleaders who are ready to cheer their boys on to yet another win!



**HAYFIGHT!** These happy students (above left) enjoy the festivities at the annual hayride on Wednesday night. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

This hippie chick (above right) stays groovy and demonstrates her school spirit on Hippy Day. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

This sign (above) needs no explanation. The senior Homecoming theme says it all to parade participants, fans, and newspaper columnists.

They say that music soothes the savage beast, but the Wildcat band, shown here tuning up for the Homecoming parade, couldn't soothe the football team's thirst for victory.

# Game Sets Pace

Homecoming is the time of the year for school spirit and fun. After a week of Homecoming preparations, the students and football team were having fun. After all, Hammond High was favored to beat Highland. When the big game came around, the football team was rudely awakened. At halftime, the score was only 2-0, and Hammond was up by a safety. In the second half, Highland recovered a fumble and scored, leaving the score at 6-2. It was time for Hammond to knuckle down. So, with four minutes left on the clock, a touchdown pass put the Wildcats up 9-6. After that the hardcore Wildcat defense held Highland, leading to a Homecoming victory. This game put Hammond's record at 4-0 and paved the way for a great season.

by:Chris Miranda



The HHS band, above, plays the school song to hype up the crowd at halftime.

The football team, right, gathers together to go over their strategy before the big game.



The Wildcats' monster defense, below, stops Highland cold, bringing Hammond a Homecoming victory.







Dawn Ashby and freshman Crystal Mathis, left, seem to be hypnotized by the exciting Homecoming game.

Senior Quarterback Johnny Serbentas, bottom left, looks to make the big play against Highland.



## Mr. Football



"What made our team so great this year was our leadership. The team captains Johnny, Torrey, Mike and I helped the younger players to win games. Our defense was also a big part of our game. We had the #1 scoring defense in the area. Our speedy, big play offense also helped to bring us a great team this year. We could have done better, but we had a great season."

Mr. Football 1995- DeMario Watkins

Homecoming Queen 1994 Sparkle Box shows off her winning smile.



## A Dream Come True

The 1994-95 Homecoming court was chosen in a different style and every girl had a chance at the crown. Preliminary voting took place in English classes, and everyone got three votes for their class. The top three girls chosen from each of the freshmen, sophomore, and junior classes would compete for Homecoming Princess and the top four seniors for Homecoming Queen.

The candidates for the freshmen class were Cristella Garza, Shakina Muhammad, Marika McKinstry, and Katherine Kipp. The candidates for the sophomore class were Cynthia Garza, Tracy Darrough, and Lisa Alicea. The candidates for the junior class were Carla Cook, Jane Griffith, and Tameka Ross. The candidates for the Homecoming Queen 1994-95 were Heather Bermingham, Sparkle Box, Qwin Daniels, and Bertha Cruz.

The final voting was done on both lunch hours and after school on high tech voting machines. Every student voted for their own class princess, a Queen candidate, and a Mr. Football candidate.

Finally, at halftime during the big game, the winners were announced. Sparkle Box was named the 1994-95 Homecoming Queen with Cynthia Garza, Tameka Ross, and Marika McKinstry following as princesses. DeMario Watkins was named Mr. Football.

Everyone that participated helped to make Homecoming an event to remember.

by: Heather Bermingham



Last year's Homecoming Queen Veronica Castellanos relinquishes her throne to an ecstatic Sparkle Box.

Homecoming Queen candidates and their escorts: Heather Bermingham and Tim Zilz, Sparkle Box and Tony Chase, Bertha Cruz and David McAdams, Qwintoria Daniels and Carlos Cook.

Freshman Homecoming Princess candidates and their escorts: Christella Garza and Jose Reyes, Shakina Muhammad and Anthony Weems, Marika McKinstry and Sherwin Johnson, Katherine Kipp and Ruben Castellanos.

Sophomore Homecoming Princess candidates and their escorts: Lisa Alicea and Jonathan Woods, Tracy Darrough and Brian Garcia, Cynthia Garza and Dan Castellanos.



Junior Homecoming Princess candidates and their escorts: Carla Cook and Miguel Chapa, Jane Griffith and Tim DePew, Tameka Ross and Tim Sheppard.

# Ah, C'est L'ete!

What's your favorite time of the year? Think back on the summer months. Where were you? The following pages will take you on a journey through the summer life of some of the students here at Hammond High. Each picture has a story all its own. Not all of our stories are represented here.

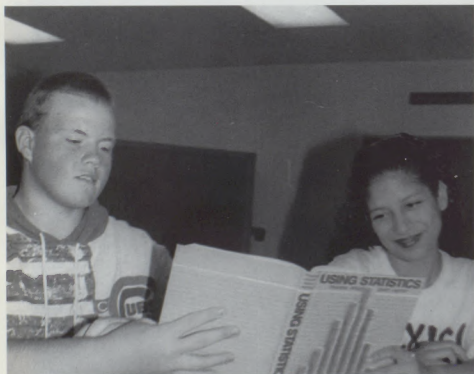
Our Wildcat cheerleaders were busy working hard at cheerleading camp. On the top are Carmen Diaz, Heather Matney, Sarah Hamel, Cindy Hart, Jane Griffith, Maria Spector, Heather Bermingham, and Amanda Knight. The middle row features, starting from left, Misty Strain, Tenesha Pennington, Jennifer Rencich, Carrie Hutton, and Darleia Rardin. Pictured on the bottom row, from left, are Jessica Doherty, Sparkle Box, Holly Grudzien, Tracy Darrough, and Holly Biro.

Peter McAdams, Brian Monberg, Shannon Bartlett, and Caryn Corriere spent one week as delegates to Girl's/Boy's State at ISU. Here they studied government.

Jeff Dick and Melisa Rodriguez studied science at IU Bloomington. Although they are shown in "Uncle Chuck" Sizemore's classroom lab. Melisa and Jeff were involved in field study and the writing of research. How many of you found yourselves arguing this summer? Brian and Matt Monberg attended debate camp at Marquette University, while Jan Cluck and Carmen Diaz earned knowledge at IU Bloomington.

Maria Spector attended diving camp at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Also in Wisconsin, but at Green Bay, Anna Barrera and Larry Graham studied math and science. Three of our choir members had the good fortune this summer to tour Europe with the United States Collegiate Choir. Graduate Maria Rodriguez, junior Diana Cruz, and senior Ebony Rutherford visited Paris, France. They sang at St. Paul's Cathedral in London, England. Tiffany Hendrix also visited the port city of Brest in France while staying with a host family for six weeks before visiting Paris.

by: Tiffany Hendrix







# Red Ribbon Week: A Drug Free Celebration

Although school was only in session for three days, the Red Ribbon Celebration was still in full swing. The week kicked off on October 22nd at the Kickoff Dance, held at St. James Hall in Highland. Two busloads (approximately 125 students), from Hammond High attended. Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Bartlett chaperoned the event. At the school, students from SADD decorated the school. We also had a visit from two Crash Test Dummies, who visited classrooms and passed out red ribbons. The week concluded with a two hour dinner at Eggers Middle School, complete with balloon animals, a puppet show, and other entertainment. U.S. Congressman Visclosky also paid a visit to the dinner.

Red Ribbon Week was started as a tribute to Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent Enrique Camarena. His death in 1985 while on assignment in Columbia touched many Americans and prompted the founding of the red ribbon movement. Red Ribbon Week occurs during the last week in October and is a celebration of living drug free lives.

by:Caryn Corriere

Sparkle Box, Wendy Fau, and others celebrating their choice to be drug free, dance the night away at the Kickoff Dance at St. James Hall in Highland. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Ron Zack enjoys his meal at the Red Ribbon Dinner as he sits amongst a group of distinguished guests. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



SADD sponsor Mrs. Emanda Jones and SADD member Lisa Wainwright help get the school decked out in the spirit of Red Ribbon Week. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Siblings Randy and Jane Griffith "box" at the Red Ribbon Dance as Steve Reagan looks on. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Tricia Bulatovich, decked out in her red Anti-Drug sweatshirt, puts the finishing touches on the balcony in preparation for Red Ribbon Week.



Nick Piatek enters and signs in at the Red Ribbon Dinner at Eggers Middle School. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Demichael Scott moves to the beat of a different drum at the Red Ribbon Dance. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



# HHS Celebrates Its Diversity

Every November, Hammond High celebrates Wildcat Pride Month. Wildcat Pride Month is an opportunity for all of Hammond High's ethnic groups to come together and to demonstrate the peace that exists in its halls. Hammond High has one of the most ethnically diverse student bodies in the city.

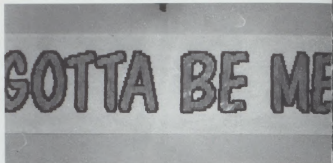
There were many activities that took place during the course of the month. Some of these activities included the decorating of the halls and the third annual ethnic dinner, which was put together by Mrs. Houser.

At the ethnic dinner, many people of different cultures and nationalities came. Each prepared an ethnic dish. The dinner and the month is a time for Hammond High to prove to itself and others that students from different cultures and backgrounds can work together in peace.

by: Dana Walston

Hammond High School's Third Annual Ethnic Dinner's theme says all. Photo by: T.Bulaturich

Amarachi Nwabuko sets out fresh refreshments for the Ethnic Dinner's participants. Photo by: T.Bulaturich



Freshman Jeff Spector proudly shows off his door prize: an official Coca-Cola Bear. Photo by: T.Bulaturich

Junior Malinda Miranda samples some of the dishes contributed to the dinner. Photo by: T.Bulaturich



Junior Madeline Luciano and freshman Carmen Lugo try to decide which of the delicious dishes they like to try. Photo by: T.Bulaturich



Senior Chris Jurca gets funky.



Jan Cluck is lost in her music while fellow band member Shannon Bartlett looks off in the distance.



Senior Francesca Olivieri (middle) and junior pals Jennifer Nichols, Rachel Stern and Heather Hinken smile for the camera.



HHS students lounge while waiting to be called in from one of the monthly fire drills.

# A Night Of Dancing In Moonlight And Roses

The day was Saturday, January 14th, 1995. It was a fairly average day. When 7:00 came around, however, the partying began. Everyone arrived at the Broadmoor Country Club in Merrillville arrayed in their best attire, ready for a night of fun, dancing, and "Moonlight and Roses". The Winter Formal almost didn't happen this year, but enough people signed up at the last minute. The DJ was great, and the fruit was delicious. As for the rest of the food, that's up to personal opinion. All of the people who signed up late were glad they signed up, because it was definitely a night to remember.

by: Camila Martinez and Tina Rangel

Keely Jones and her date show the crowd what they've got.



"What is that?", Phillip Vaccaro asks Bernice Flores as he decides what he wants from the fruit tray.

While enjoying a slow song, Angel Vilella and Karen Lawley sneak in a passionate kiss.

# Cole Star Band

The Cole Star Band is a group of students who play instruments and sing songs at school events.

Nathan Jefferson and Sonja Summerhill do the "butt".

David Cline hopes he can remember the words to the song he is singing to his date.



"I thought three was a crowd!" says senior Chris Jurca.

"This song needs more beat," says senior Paul Gleason as he adds his own sound effects. Obviously his date, senior Holly Biro, doesn't agree.

First runner-up Torrey Chambliss and his escort Qwintoria Daniels.

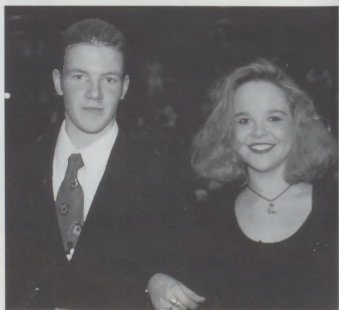
Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Sophomore Homecoming Prince Mario Jones and escort. Photo by:

T.Bulatovich

Homecoming King candidate Pierre Crawford and escort Qiana Har-

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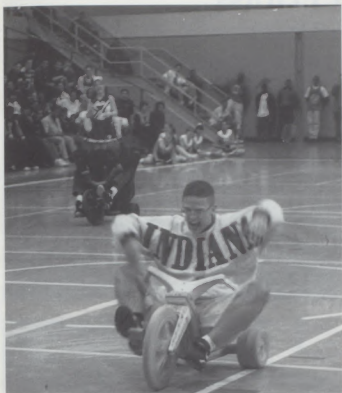
Freshman Homecoming Prince Sherwin Jophnson and escort. Photo by:

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Homecoming King candidate Tim Zilz and escort Alexis Choss. Photo

by: T.Bulatovich

Seniors Tony Chase and Mike Pote race to the finish line during the pep assembly. Photo by: T. Balatovich



## Cats Slam Panthers

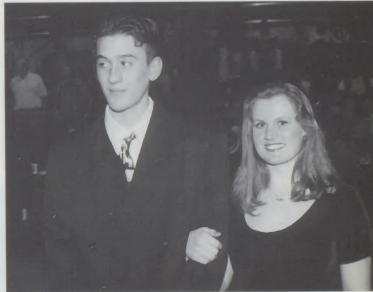
The 1995 Basketball Extravaganza a.k.a. Homecoming Week was kicked off with several spirit days, including a Flannel Day, Red & White Day in the spirit of Valentine's Day, Sports Day, Class Colors Day and, of course, a Purple & White Day. The Student Government also sponsored a scavenger hunt between the first period classes. Competition was stiff, and there was a three-way tie between Mrs. Houser's, Mrs. Schiralli's and Miss Parkhurst's classes. The winner was decided when a name was drawn, and Mrs. Schiralli's class was treated to a breakfast of doughnuts and juice.

The night of the game arrived, and the Wildcat basketball team killed the Griffith Panthers by a score of 86-69 in their last conference home game of the year, earning the Wildcats the championship title. This Homecoming win was sparked by forwards David McAdams and Cory Moore's dunks during the game. This victory extended their home game winning streak to nine. During the halftime gala, Demario Watkins was awarded the Homecoming King title with junior Philip Vaccaro, sophomore Mario Jones and freshman Sherwin Johnson following as class princes.

by: Johnny Serbentas



1995 Homecoming King DeMario Watkins exhibits the charisma and charm that won him the crown as senior Anna Barrera, escort Keely Jones and cheerleader Sparkle Box gather around for a picture.



Junior Homecoming Prince Philip Vaccaro and escort.



# Passing Periods

Freshman Donald Bulatovich chats with Mark DeAngelo. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Senior Robert Patton races down the hall, hoping he won't be late. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



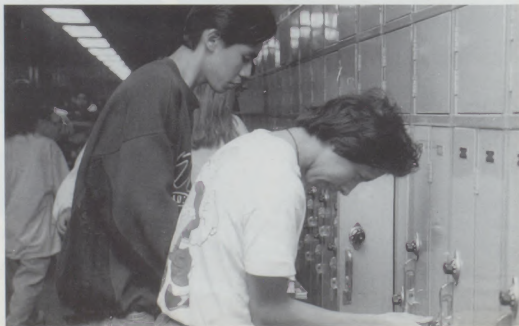
Students (above, far right) use their break between classes to release their energy. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Amanda Kocur (above, right) points something of interest out to Brandi Bellinger. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Mr. White closes a locker for someone. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Students try to remember their locker combinations. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Jackson & Presley Married

Civil War in Rwanda

Deer visits HHS

Jordan Comes Back

Mass Suicide in Switzerland

Pilot shot down

Earthquake Rocks Japan

Troops in Kuwait

Floods in Houston

Nixon Dies

Simpson still on trial

Baseball on Strike

1994 HHS Football Team 8-0

Jeffery Dahmer Murdered

Oklahoma City Bombing

Basketball Conference Co-Champs

Peacekeepers held hostage in Bosnia

Republicans take House

Plane Crashes in Boselawn

Shootings at White House

River Phoenix dies



Smile, Holly! Senior Holly Biro (above) performs "La Negra" at the Hispanic Heritage Program. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

"A Ver! Ahora, Vengan!" Shouts senior Jeff Dick as he introduces "Las Chiapanecas." Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Junior Melinda Miranda concentrates on her footing at the Hispanic Heritage Program. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

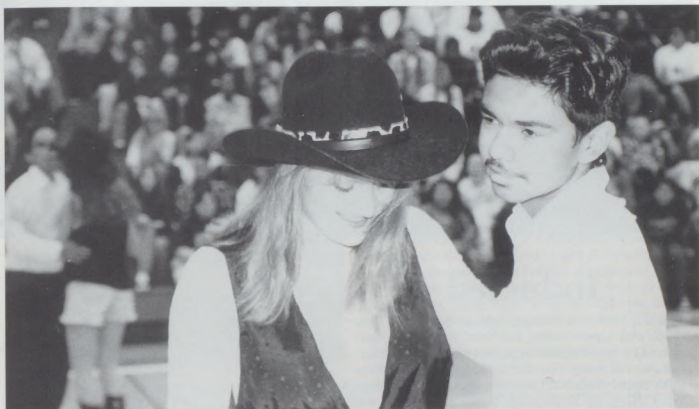






Guest speaker Rogelio Dominguez chats with Mrs. Silverman. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Junior Misty Strain and freshman Daniel Rodriguez perform "El Sangelotcadito". Photo by: T.Bulatovich



## Somos Uno

*-We Are One*

With these words, Hammond High's 1994 Hispanic Heritage Program was brought to a close. Each year, Hammond High School celebrates its diversity by presenting both a Hispanic Heritage Program in September and a Black History Program in February to the student body. This year's Hispanic Heritage Program theme was "Somos Uno". The students were called upon to use their imaginations and imagine that they were in Mexico on a fiesta day. This was made easy as they watched Jason Osborne and Rebecca Rodriguez of the Ballet Folklórico and fellow HHS students perform native Mexican dances in full costume.

The theme of the Black History Program was "Respect Yourself", and its intent was to raise students' self-confidence. During the course of the program, students watched a tap dance routine, listened to a piano solo, watched the choir, saw a step routine and heard a poem. Special guests were a group of students from Maywood

School who recited a poem and did a dance and acrobatic routine.

Both programs had guest speakers, Rogelio Dominguez for the Hispanic Heritage Program and Dr. Leon Hendricks for the Black History Program. Both speakers spoke about the importance of staying in school, striving for the best and taking advantage of any opportunities that come one's way. They spoke of hope and of overcoming limitations set by others and asked the students to find the courage within themselves to succeed.

Hispanic Heritage Month and Black History Month are times to honor these cultures and their histories. It is important to know about one's culture and the culture of others. At the same time, however, it is also important that ethnic diversity is not used as a reason for segregation.

by: Shannon Bartlett



## Inducted

April 6, 1995 was Honors Night at Hammond High School, and approximately two hundred students were honored for either achieving perfect attendance or earning honor roll recognition during the year. The National Honor Society induction was held during the same ceremony. Normally in the auditorium, the program was held in the gym this year. New members of the National Honor Society were given special recognition, and the former officers passed their gold cords onto the new officers in a symbolic gesture. Four candles, each symbolizing scholarship, character, leadership, and service, were lit. Guest speaker Leroy Harwell, Jr., stressed the importance of hard work, dedication, determination and academic excellence to the students. Before the ceremony there was a miniconcert held by the music department. Afterwards, the adult Booster Club and the National Honor Society parents sponsored refreshments for the parents of the honorees.

by: Tiffany Hendrix

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New member Francesca Oliveri is inducted while Secretary Maria Spector and Vice President Onyekachi Nwabuko look on.

Senior Sarah Nawrocki talks to parents about Scholarship.

# Learning Experiences

An authorized absence from school to go to Great America for the day? Or to the Dunes? Is something wrong? No, these trips are school-related field trips. Students jump at the chance to miss school for an "extra learning experience." Some of the "experiences" this year included a trip to Purdue University Lafayette to see Macbeth, Physics Day at Great America, the annual trip to the Dunes with Mr. Hayden, a trip to St. Joseph's College in Rennsaelaer for a journalism conference, to Chicago to see Romeo and Juliet and trips to the zoo. More local field trips were to Morton High School for Law Day, to East Chicago Central for the World Affairs Conference on Terrorism, to the local elementary schools as a DARE Role Model and to teach Junior Achievement.

Although the weather may not have cooperated for all the trips, a majority of the students who attended enjoyed the day away from everyday school work. Some students may have actually had to do an assignment while at the field trip, but it surely paled in comparison to the regular daily work load in school. Fun was had by most, and all will look forward to the new and exciting "extra learning experiences" in the years to come. Teachers also usually enjoy going on field trips, because they can apply what they have been teaching to everyday practices.

by: Caryn Corriere

What was a bright, sunny day became a cool and rainy one, putting a damper on the moods of many. Included was Krista Gresko, who appears to be just taking the uncooperative weather in stride.

Dan Brehmer, senior, and Mr. Lee perform a critical measurement on the American Eagle roller coaster at Great America. Also in attendance at the annual Physics Day were Geraldine Chandler, Andrea Daulton, Jeffrey Dick, Maggie Foster, Jane Griffith, Jennifer King, Brian Monberg, Peter McAdams, Kachi Nwabuko, Maria Spector and Amanda Teague. The experience was the culmination of a semester's work on Newton's Law of Motion.

Ray Zack appears to be the leader of the pack with his mighty walking stick at the Dunes field trip. Patty Eberle, Carmen Diaz and David Huerta look on while Chris Rardin prepares to join them.

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## Memories to Last a Lifetime

From the times that we are young, girls always look forward to "The Prom". In our hearts, it is a magical event full of romance and mystery, and these feelings continue on throughout our high school years, where prom is probably the most anticipated of the year. After all, besides Winter Formal, it is the only formal dance during the year, and it is the last time for seniors to get dressed up and be with their friends and fellow classmates. The 1995 prom theme was "Memories that Last a Lifetime", and many memories were made that night. After months, or in some cases just hours, of preparation, the night finally arrived and the students began arriving decked out in their prom finery. There were a wide variety of styles and tastes present, ranging from elegant to flashy to frilly. Their handsome escorts also had a chance to show off their own sense of style, and many arrived in tuxes that reflected their personality, whether it was a colorful abstract pattern or Mickey Mouse. Whatever their personal sense of style, everyone looked their best and enjoyed themselves as they danced the night away among their friends.

by: Shannon Bartlett



It's not animal, not mineral. It's Electric! Prom attendees enjoy themselves as they do the electric slide.

Seniors Michaela Turpin and Angie Veenstra prepare to submit their nominations for Prom King and Queen.

The 1995 Prom attendees received these favors.

Prom-goer Carlo Walker and date Anita Lewis pose for the camera.



Students await their turns to turn in their 1995 Prom King and Queen ballots.

Seniors Qiana Hardy, Keely Jones and Qwin Daniels show off their pretty smiles for the camera.



Alexis Choss enjoys her dinner and her date as she laughs happily at him.

Nathan Brooks reaches for a roll at dinner.



# And The March Goes On

On May 24, 1995, the class of 1995 confidently marched into the gymnasium and took their seats for Senior Honors Day. In front of the entire school, many seniors were recognized for various hard-won awards and achievements. Among those recognized were Jeffrey Dick and Shannon Bartlett, who were recognized as valedictorian and salutatorian of the class of '95, and the members of the National Honor Society were also recognized along with the winners of scholarships, sport awards and various academic achievements. Congratulations to all those recognized and to the graduating class of 1995 on a job well done!

by: Dana Walston

1995 Female Athlete of the Year Qwintoria Daniels accepts her award from Mr. Zasada.



Janette Cluck proudly accepts her award from principal Mr. White.

An ecstatic Melisa Rodriguez gratefully accepts a certificate from Mr. White.

Senior Michael Austin stands as Mr. White lists all of the awards he has won.

Junior Class President Diana Cruz accepts the Temulac from Senior Class President Onyekachi Nwabuko.



Principal Mr. White gives last minute instructions to Valedictorian Jeffrey Dick, President Onyekachi Nwabuko and Salutatorian Shannon Bartlett.

The 1995 Senior Class, led by Valedictorian Jeffrey Dick prepares to make its entrance.

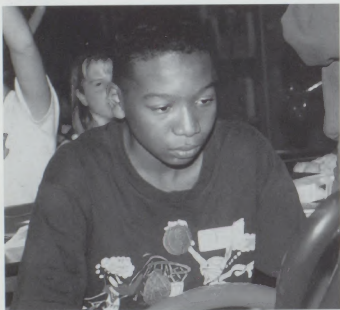
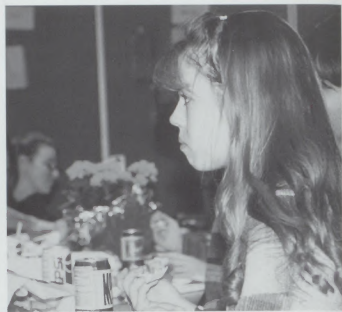
# Snowball Teaches Self-Respect

Many students in the 1990's are faced with pressures to do things that they would ordinarily never think of. Unfortunately, some people give in to these pressures and damage their bodies and brains by taking drugs or drinking. Snowball helps people to overcome negative influences by teaching them to respect themselves. A person with self-respect will not let someone pressure him into doing something that will hurt his body. Snowball also teaches the many dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. A person in Snowball realizes how extremely dangerous, and even deadly, drug abuse can be. In the Snowball meetings, teenagers and experts present skits, speeches and seminars on the dangers of drug abuse. The three or four-day meetings are held at schools, where participants stay for a few nights and develop close friendships. Snowball also sponsors dances, and even an end-of-the-year prom, to bring together old friends.

by: Jeffrey Dick

Junior Heather Matney celebrates Red Ribbon Week during October Operation Snowball.

Senior Tricia Bulatovich shows off her artwork after a small group session.



Mike Stevens learns balloon art from a general session speaker.

Teen Director Tiffany Hendrix bonds with two members of her small group.

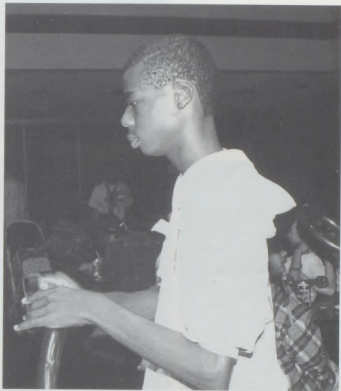




Freshman Amy Aurelio and seniors Caryn Corriere and Tiffany Hendrix pose for a picture.



Craig Scott patiently waits for his turn to create balloon animals.



Hammond teens "Zap the Myths" about drug and alcohol abuse.

A student's things and locker, wait patiently for their owner's return. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

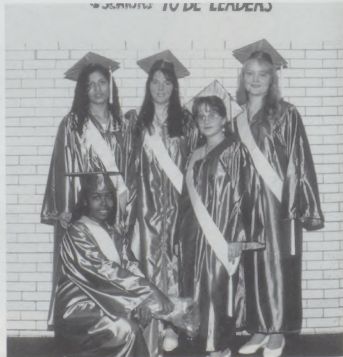


Students (below, right) relax after a strenuous ride in the hay. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Freshman Cheryl Hardy enjoys herself as she dances during the Red Ribbon Dance. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

The Crow (aka Ricardo Moreno), gets into his game of hackey-sack. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Seniors pose together for what may be the last time.



The HHS poms perform during halftime. Photo by: T.Zile



Winter Formal attendees line up for dinner.



Homecoming King DeMario Watkins proudly shows off his crown.

Senior Yecenia Miramontes listens attentively to her prom date.

Some French hippies smile for the camera.

# WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

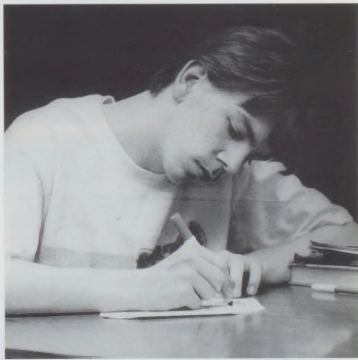
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C-O-N-C-E-N-T-R-A-T-I-O-N! Senior Mike Paliga ponders a thought in Mr. Deak's World Literature class. Photo by: T.Zilz



Play Smart. Junior Jennifer King demonstrates her musical talents.

Photo by: T.Bulavovich



Sophomore Matt Jakubczyk takes a little time out from studying to pursue his artistic abilities. Photo by: T.Bulavovich



# Challenges Met

Did you know that one of our former presidents used to swim naked in the Potomac River? Do you know what the antiderivative of an equation is? Take an AP class and you'll learn the answers to these and other questions, along with sometimes unusual facts and figures.

Hammond High School offers five different Advanced Placement (AP) classes. They include art (Mrs. Baumann), calculus (Mr. Wysocki), chemistry (Mr. Sizemore), government (Mr. Dennis) and U.S. History (Mr. Galosich). Each class is taught in the place of an honors class. Upon the completion of these extensive, college-level classes, a test is taken. It is then scored on a 1 to 5 scale. If the score is a 3 or higher, college credit is given. However, many colleges only accept 4's or 5's.

Each class has extra books and extra assignments. The classes usually have in-depth discussions and require outside of school projects. During the 1994-95 school year alone, the AP art class worked on murals and a Jewish painting, and the AP Government class attended the Rotary World Affairs Conference in February. There they discussed terrorism.

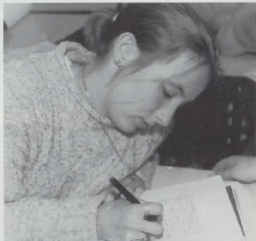
If you are up for a challenge and like to work hard, take an AP class. See what college will be like while you're still in high school. The choice is yours. Go ahead. Take the challenge.

by: Caryn Corriere

Derrick White works hard to get the answer in AP Chemistry. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Jackie Flores contemplates a problem for AP Calculus. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

In AP Government, Maggie Foster writes a summary for an article in her journal of current event stories. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Bob Delano recreates an image of a posing Angel Vilella in AP Art. Photo by T. Bulatovich

In AP Government, John Delano reads up on current governmental policies. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

# HHS Shows Its Artistic Side

Be creative. Be creative? How can you be creative in school? The answer is to take an art class. Some people take art in order to fulfill their fine arts requirement, while others take art in order to explore their artistic capabilities. Art gives people an opportunity to express themselves in ways words can't. Each person learns something in art. Whether it is learning the difference between two artists, how to carve a pumpkin, the kinds of mediums that can be used or how to draw and paint, everyone takes something with them when they leave.

Art is offered at many different levels of classes in order to accommodate the beginner and the most advanced student. College credit can also be gained through the Advanced Placement class. Projects from all levels have been displayed at different exhibits throughout the city. This has given the community the chance to see the artistic side of Hammond High. Be creative. Experiment with your artistic talents. Take an art class.

by:Caryn Corriere



Mrs. Baumann



Mrs. Schiralli

Mr. DeJonge (not pictured)



LaToy Bellamy and Maria Guerra, left, learn to carve pumpkins for a scary surprise on Halloween. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Jennifer Jenkins (bottom left) takes her time working on a pen-ink drawing. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Christy Howland (bottom right) works to perfect one of the basic elements of art: line. Photo by: T.Bulatovich





## A Bit of Class

After years of going unrecognized for its achievements, the Hammond High School band finally won the admiration and respect of not only other schools, but its own as well. Students and spectators at football games were surprised and then pleased to see the band marching in uniforms for the first time in over three years.

Although it was a fairly young band under the direction of a new drum major, the band soon overcame its inexperience and self-consciousness and began to wow the crowd with new routines and new music.

The highlight of the year was the Hammond Christmas Parade. The band went and competed with other schools from the area. For the competition, the band prepared and performed a dance routine. After weeks of practice, the band was able to bring a first place trophy home.

Besides marching season, the band performed at various activities ranging from the Christmas concert to the Senior Honors Day. Many don't realize what an important part the band plays in keeping up the school's morale and adding a little bit of class to school functions.

by: Shannon Bartlett



Say Cheese! Band members Aaron Bracey, Sarah Adams, Nichelle Hester, Tamie Jenkins and Teresa Price smile for the camera from the band's Homecoming float.

First clarinetists Jan Cluck, Melisa Rodriguez, and Marissa Camarillo concentrate on their music at HHS's annual Christmas Concert. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

**Top Row:** D. Snyder, J. Spector, B. Johnson, K. Lane, A. Mata, D. Nevarez, N. Hester, S. Bartlett, P. Crawford, M. Chumbley, J. White. **Second Row:** J. Cluck, R. Stern, W. Smith, D. Bellinger, T. Cole, C. Baker, D. King, A. Bracey, M. Camarillo, E. Thompson, J. Reyes, C. Stern. **Third Row:** M. Rodriguez, L. Grady, J. Perkins, J. King, M. Rodriguez, T. Price, S. Dorsey, L. Hutton, M. Lopez. **Bottom Row:** Mr. Van Bialon, conductor, R. Moreno, R. Gamez, V. Recio, S. Adams, T. Jenkins, H. Daniels, D. Rodriguez, G. Calhoun.



Mr. Bialon, Conductor



**Why me?** Drum Major Sarah Adams thinks as she directs the band during its Homecoming routine.

Clarinetist Diana Nevarez (left) plays at the Senior Honors Day Assembly.



"Wildcats!" the HHS band shouts as it finishes the spectacular routine that won it top honors at the parade and brought down the house at the Christmas Concert. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

After weeks of practice, trombone players Terry Cole and Ben Johnson show how practice makes perfect. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



## A step to the future

Typing and business are now one of the most important jobs one can have today. There are a lot of students who believe that typing is not needed, but they are wrong. Typing is most needed in the junior year, therefore freshmen and sophomores should take the opportunity to take up typing.

Mr. Moretton, a teacher here at Hammond High, teaches a good business and accounting class for anyone who wants to advance in the business field.

The business and typing classes here at Hammond High can be difficult at times, but if one works hard, one can accomplish anything in the business and typing department.

by: Diana Cruz

Ms. Sandra McQuigg



Mr. Donald Moretton, not shown



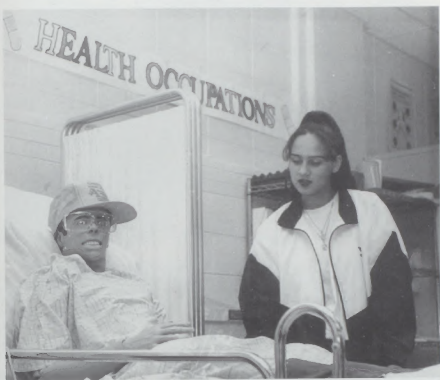
Brian Monberg keeps his eyes on the book and not on his hands. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Jennifer Cloe tries to figure out which line she is typing. Photo By: T. Bulatovich



Gloria Saida examines her patient in Health Occupations. Photo By T. Bulatovich



Amanda Kocur learns how to design houses on a computer. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



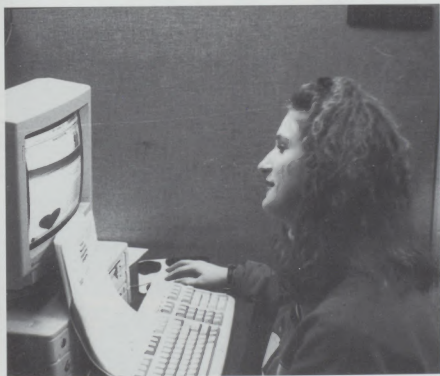
## What's Behind the Career Center?

The Area Career Center is more than just another school. The Area Career Center is a vocational training place for occupations in auto body, culinary arts, building trades, health occupation and more.

The Area Career Center is not just for Hammond High students. Students from different schools in our district like Gavit High School, Morton High School and Clark High School attend the Career Center daily.

The Career Center prepares one for the future jobs of the world. Many students continue their education in more advanced schools of vocational training to further their education.

by: Diana Cruz and Lelia Morgan



Latasha Butcher works diligently to finish her paper in business class. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

# Achieving New Heights

1995 was yet another exciting year for the students of the Hammond High choir. Not only did they perform at school functions such as the Christmas Program, Honors Day and Graduation, but they also competed against other choirs. Mrs. Mary Rose Hunt, the choir director, led the members of the choir to new levels in music performance. Some people wonder why students take choir class. Many students take choir to fulfill the fine arts requirement. When they finish the class, though, they have learned a lot. Mrs. Hunt has been able to help the students overcome their nervousness and shyness and teach them to perform well in front of a large audience.

by: Jeffrey Dick

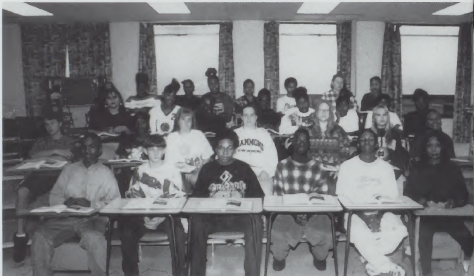


The HHS Concert Choir performs during the Christmas Concert.

**First Period Chorus** Top Row: C.Duke, K.Bray, L.Clopton, A.Davis, B.Brooks, J.Hurt, T.Fennie. Second Row: C.Parra, M.Miles, S.Parris, K.Ross, M.McKinstry, T.Ryan, T.Jones, C.Sangster. Third Row: A.Ciupak, T.Stanley, D.Baker, L.Sponzilli, A.Tubbs, M.Zack, L.Winston. Bottom Row: D.Ashley, F.Koonce, J. Thames, M.Scott, J.Jackson, Mrs. M.Rose Hunt, instructor.



The HHS Mixed Ensemble sings for the audience during the Senior Honors Assembly.



**Third Period Chorus** Top Row: D.Allen, B.Hicks, A.Stanley, R.Slack, D.Davis, D.Grant, D.Harvey, A.Weems. Second Row: Mrs. Rose Hunt, instructor, B.Simmons, R.Wilson, J.Vargas, R.Mundo, G.Ruiz, W.Rembert, A.Smith. Third Row: R.Quigley, S.Reese, N.Cummings, W.Walker, T.Wilson, L.Julkes, T.Price, T.Payton. Bottom Row: A.Calvilla, A.Roddy, E.Calvilla, A.Aurelio, K.Montgomery, M.Jones, N.Smith.

**Concert Choir** Top Row: J.Trevino, J.Hawkins, R.Smith, S.Summerhill, K.Williams, T.Tucker. Second Row: T.Pennington, A.Weems, T.Johnson, T.Larsen, D.Perkins. Third Row: M.Lopez, S.Moton, T.Cummings, C.Williams, E.Rutherford. Bottom Row: T.Rangel, D.Cruz, B.Crawford, R.Lundstrum, Mrs. Rose Hunt, standing.



**Glee Club** Top Row: J.Sellers, C.Smith, A.Williams, L.English, A.Chase, S.Holmes, D.Phillips, W.Wyche. Second Row: C.Yost, T.Haywood, L.Perkins, L.Reed, N.Green, K.Montgomery, J.Serbentas. Third Row: L.Lee, T.Yancy, M.Wilder, E.Henderson, L.Williams. Bottom Row: A.Allen, J. Cummings, C.Gaddy, L.Youngblood, L.McDonald, Mrs. Mary R. Hunt.

Mr. Michael  
Banham



Mr. Peter Canale

Mr. Karl Deak



Mr. Leroy Harwell

Mrs. Emanda Jones



Mr. Michael  
Pramuk

Mrs. Mary Robison



Mr. Robert  
Schneider

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Silverman



Miss Ruth  
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Mrs. Bobbi  
Williams, not  
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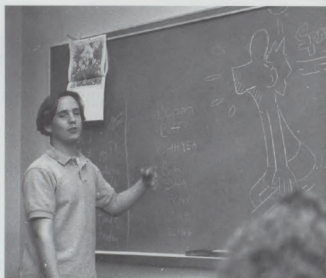


Jennifer Serbentas prepares a dish in front of the class. Photo by:  
T.Bulatovich

# It's Required

In order to graduate from Hammond High School, all students are required to take, and pass, four years of English. During the course of the four years, students have to prove themselves proficient in a great variety of areas, ranging from giving speeches to writing compositions and research papers to being able to read and interpret literary material. For those who excel in English, HHS offers students a chance to take advanced honors classes and to participate in HHS's own literary magazine entitled **Speak Out**. **Speak Out** was started this past school year by teachers Miss Parkhurst and Mrs. Silverman and has been well-received by the student body.

by: Shannon Bartlett



Rob Baughard shows the class how to draw cartoons during a demonstration speech. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Sophomore Katari Jack demonstrates hairstyling techniques in Mrs. Jones' English class while classmate Evelyn Cancel assists. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



## LE JOUR DE LA TERRE

Notre Sommes Tous Citoyens du Meme Monde!



Senior Nathan Jefferson concentrates on his German. Photo by: T.Bolotovitch

## Es Gefalt Mir!

"It looks like Agnes is going out with that dead guy."

"It turns out the guy sold his shadow to the devil."

Where is a Hammond High student likely to hear gossip like this? In a foreign language class! Foreign language classes are among the most fun courses offered at Hammond High. In addition to cultural festivals, HHS foreign language students have permission to read books like "Green Eggs and Ham," have show and tell, watch cartoons and play scrabble. Don't be fooled, though. Language classes are serious classes.

Americans are often criticized for their reluctance to learn foreign languages. Their willingness to take classes like the ones offered at Hammond High prove the statement is false, and demonstrates their commitment to international peace and understanding. As the world becomes increasingly smaller in size, the skills that are learned in foreign language classes become more important to survival in an interdependent world.

by: Tiffany Hendrix

Mrs. Urick's students take a break from their French to enjoy a good laugh. Photo by: S.Kaskosky

Junior Jose Reyes takes a swipe at the piñata while his classmates prepare to dive for the candy. Photo by: T.Bolotovitch



Mrs. Kostopolous, German



Miss Kula, Spanish



Mrs. Rapp, Spanish (not pictured)



Mrs. Mary Jay



Mrs. Claudia McGuire



Mrs. Margaret Sharp



## What's Cooking?

Imagine learning to cook, sew, and be creative. Our Home Economics department offers all this and a little bit more.

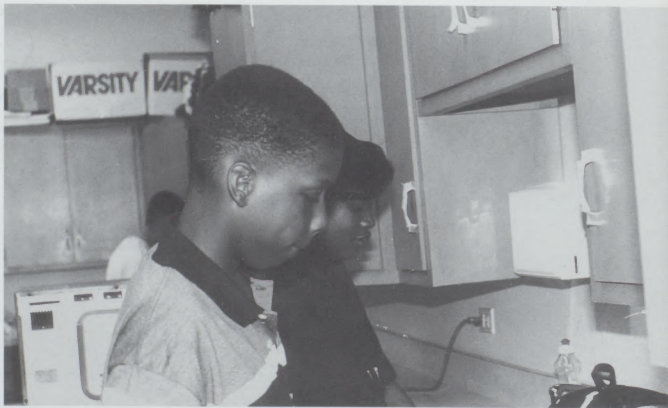
Mrs. Jay teaches foods and nutrition to anyone interested in learning how to cook. Every Friday her classes have to prepare an assignment which she planned during that week. This class is not just fun and games, it's also a learning experience for whomever takes the class.

Mrs. McGuire and Mrs. Sharp teach a sewing class here at Hammond High. This class offers the student a chance to learn more about how patterns fit together and how sewing becomes a part of everyone's life.

by: Diana Cruz

Michael Diaz looks for a dish during foods class.

Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Mrs. Jay's students keep themselves busy while washing dishes after cooking. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

# It's all about Wood!

What is Industrial Arts, really? Is it necessary? That's a question a lot of us ask ourselves during our four years here at Hammond High. The answer to this question depends upon whether or not the skills learned in the industrial arts classes are necessary for the job you are planning to pursue at the end of your high school career.

Mr. Brown, one of our teachers here at Hammond High, teaches a wood class. In this class he teaches students how to build things and use it in their future.

Mr. Hostetler is also one of our Industrial Arts teachers here at Hammond High. He teaches Mechanical Drawing to students who want to become architects.

By: Diana Cruz

Mr. James Brown



Mr. Shane Hostetler  
not pictured



Jason Brown watches attentively, while classmate John Guthrie works.

Photo by: T. Balatovich

## Experience Pays Off

**Journalism/Newspaper** Top Row: J. Thorgren, S. Mack, R. Quigley, P. Vaccaro, C. Robinson. Middle Row: E. Hervey, T. Bulatovich, A. Teague. Bottom Row: L. Thomas, T. Vann, F. Merckerson, Q. Hardy, M. Lugo, R. Lundstrom.

Hammond High's English Department offers several journalism classes besides the normal English classes for students. These classes include the Dunes yearbook and the Hammond High Herald, the school newspaper. These classes are student-run publications, and the students in these classes are fully responsible for the completion of their respective publication. These classes provide experience in writing stories, photography and many other skills used in designing and putting together a newspaper or yearbook. Students in these classes do a very good job and have been very productive in recent years. Interviews, selling ads, developing pictures and designing layouts are all part of the job, and many students who have participated in these classes have received scholarships in journalism or photography. These classes provide excellent training in writing and a background for those who would like to pursue careers in journalism.

by: Chris Miranda



**Yearbook** Top Row: T. Bulatovich, B. Middleton, Q. Hardy. Middle Row: D. Brehmer, H. Bermingham, S. Bartlett, J. Flores, Q. Daniels, T. Hendrix, C. Corriere, A. Dolton, T. Zilz. Bottom Row: D. Walston, H. Matney, T. Penington, B. Gomez, M. Paliga, S. Jackson, J. Serbentas, L. Morgan, C. Miranda, D. Cruz not pictured.

# Is It Important?

"When am I ever going to use this in my lifetime?" This is the most common comment heard from students as they struggle through their respective math classes. The truth is, math plays an important role in everyone's life. Many professions require extensive math studies, including calculus. A lot of applications of algebra and other stages are presented in this course. Hammond High offers a wide variety of math programs ranging from basic math to AP Calculus. Courses such as AIM Algebra/Trig also allow a student to design the pace at which they want to work. All of these courses are designed to help students understand math and all of its applications. Sometimes it's used just to answer the question, "When will I ever use this?"

by: Chris Miranda

Mr. Ruf's students try not to smile while working on their Computer Math.

Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Juan Campos takes a minute from his math work to pose.

Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Mike Wytrykus works hard to try and finish his math test.

Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Mr. Ronald Cappelletti  
Mr. Frank Gradisher  
Mr. Larry Maka  
Mr. Wayne Peacher



Mr. James Ruf  
Mrs. Barbara Rybicki  
Mr. Robert Urlick  
Mr. Ken Wysocki

# You Can't Sleep in This Class!

It's hard to believe, but some students get bored while they are in class. For many freshmen, though, there is a class where they can take a break from studying and working (and sleeping) in class and have some physical activity. This class is physical education, more commonly called P.E., or just plain "gym". Students have a chance to play basketball and volleyball with friends. Some freshmen also discover the exciting sport of badminton and fall in love with it. When the weather is warm in the early autumn or late spring, the P.E. teachers organize softball and baseball games for their classes. Through all these sports, students learn to appreciate the value of teamwork. P.E. class gives energetic, active students the chance to do something and be with friends.

by: Jeffrey Dick

Mrs. Arna Long



Mr. Richard Badovinich  
(not pictured)

Mrs. Shawn Popplewell



Mr. Jim Sherer



Mr. Tom Zasada  
(not pictured)

Shanica Williams takes a splash for fun. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

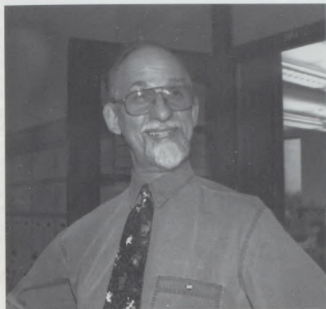
Angelica Cavillo takes a deep breath before submerging. Photo by: T. Bulatovich





## Psych Students Get Hands-On Experience

Mr. Galosich poses for his picture with style. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Psychology is the study of human behavior. In this fun and exciting, but challenging, class taught by Mr. Galosich, students learn the mysteries of why humans behave the way they do. Psychology students experience the practical aspects of the science through hands-on activities such as describing dreams, meditating and walking around the school blindfolded. Other activities include listening to and analyzing music, writing daily journal entries and drawing pictures. All of the fun activities are, of course, balanced by periodic quizzes and tests which give the students a chance to recall what they have learned. To many students, this is probably the most enjoyable class at Hammond High. Issues in psychology often become the topics for lively discussions and even arguments in class.

by: Jeffrey Dick



Pierre Crawford watches to make sure his classmate knows where she is going. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Chris Jurca makes sure that Sarah Nawrocki doesn't miss a step during a psychology experiment. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Ms. Judith DeYoung



Mr. Jeff Hayden

Mr. Verne Lee



Mr. George Malis

Mr. Kevin Morkel



Mr. Charles Sizemore

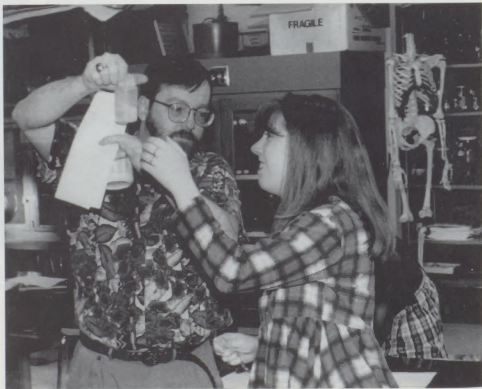
## Science Students Have Fun!

Where can one blow up something, shoot a plastic dart gun, make the whole room smell, and look at the organs of a worm? In the Hammond High School science classes, of course! From biology to chemistry and earth science to physics, HHS students have a wide variety of interesting science courses from which to choose. Taught by exciting, caring teachers, the science classes give students a chance to learn how the universe around them works by investigating natural phenomena, performing scientific experiments and collecting and compiling information. In the physics class, for example, the workings of uniform acceleration are discussed, and in chemistry class, students synthesize salts by mixing acids and bases. Many of the science teachers like to reinforce their teachings by taking the students on field trips to places like the museums, colleges, the Indiana Dunes and, believe it or not, Great America. Without the teachings of science, the universe would be a complete mystery to us. Hammond High science classes give students a great start to understanding our earth.

by: Jeffrey Dick



Amber Freese concentrates hard on her Chemistry A.P. final. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Heather Bermingham identifies an organism for Mr. Hayden during her Biology 4 oral exam. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



An HHS student struggles to finish her U.S. History A.P. exam. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



## Classes About People

The most important thing in life to people is other people. In social studies classes, students (and teachers, too) learn about other people. In the world history and U.S. history classes, students discover people of the past and how their actions have affected our lives today. In these classes, the students learn lessons from mistakes other people have made. In economics class, students learn how money and possessions affect the way people relate to each other. Government class gives students an understanding of how people with power control others. Not only are these classes very educational, but they also provide an interesting setting for discussions and arguments. It is during these discussions that students learn the most about relationships. The social studies classes may be the most important at Hammond High; it is here that students learn about relationships between people of the past and how they can apply the lessons they learn from those relationships they have today.

by: Jeffrey Dick



Mr. Carl Aldrin



Mr. Robert Dennis



Mr. Frank Carroll



Mr. Ronald Galosich



Mr. Brian Jacks

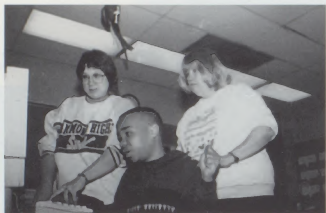
Mr. George Green not pictured

## Who Are They?

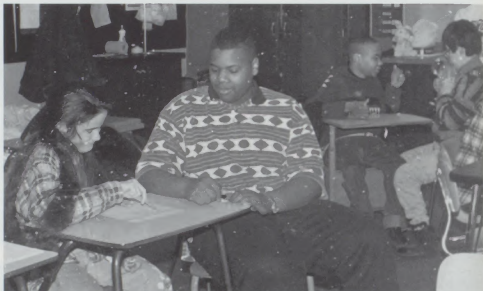
Did you ever wonder who those kids and teachers are that we hardly see? Well, these teachers and students are part of our special education program here at Hammond High for students who need to be taught in a different way.

There are six teachers here at Hammond High who spend most of their time working with these students. These teachers put much time and effort into helping these students so that they can have a better education. But, they're not always here at Hammond High. These students take field trips to different places to see different things, and that's not all. These students are our friends. just because they are different, doesn't mean that they can't make a difference.

by: Diana Cruz



Mrs. Houser and Mrs. Forbes show Naeem Tall how the computer works. Photo by: T. Zilz



Brian Hicks watches while Evelyn Rodriguez shows him how she really works. Photo by: T. Zilz



Mrs. Forbes makes sure that her Chrissy Harris has a nice nap. Photo by: T. Zilz



Mrs. Wendy Candiano

Mr. Anthony Mazzuca

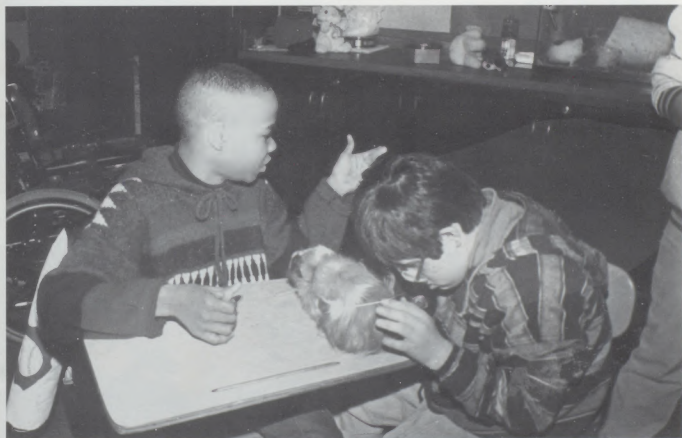
Mr. Hugh Nelson

Mr. Jeff Peterson



Mrs. Lavern Rea

Mrs. Darlene  
Woodbury



Naeem Tall looks away while his classmate plays with the guinea pig. Photo by: T. Zilz



# WHAT'S

# WHAT? WHAT? WHAT?



Lisa Lesniewsky getting her hands and knees dirty in order to keep our school clean. T.Zilk

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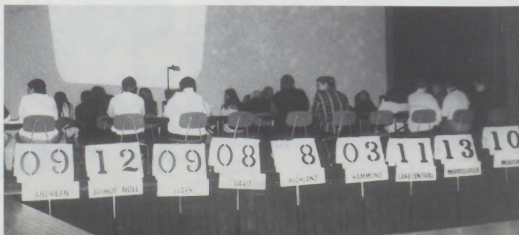
ENVIRONMENTAL TEAM



The HHS Academic Decathlon members rest after several hours of rigorous testing and competition. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

The State-qualifying Interdisciplinary squad: Top Row: Jeffrey Dick. Middle Row: Shannon Bartlett, Mrs. Actress Bartlett, coach. Bottom Row: Melisa Rodriguez, Tiffany Hendrix, Caryn Corriere.

Students from the area compete during an academic meet. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Senior Maria Spector, tired after a long day of competing, glances up to see why fellow member Lymarie Alicea is laughing. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



## Academic Endeavors

For those of you who aren't athletically inclined, or are, but you want to exercise your mind as well as your body, there's always the Academic Team. The Academic Team competes in three competitions throughout the year. In the fall there's the Spell Bowl where, like a spelling bee, you spell words, except everyone's score is combined into one team score. In the winter, there's the Academic Decathlon, which is a rigorous competition that involves taking tests in English, history, math, fine arts, social studies and science. It also involves writing and presenting a speech and being interviewed. In this competition, you can win individual and team medals. Last, but not least, there is the Academic Super Bowl, in which teams of three answer questions in either math, social studies, science, English or fine arts. Each year, the competition has a different theme, which the competition is based on.

These competitions, like sports, require many hours of work and dedication. In order for the team to do well, everyone has to pull his or her fair share. In spite of this, the competitions are a lot of fun and give you a feeling of exhilaration when all of the work pays off, and you go up to receive your award after competing with some of the best schools in the state.

by: Shannon Bartlett



Team member Shannon Bartlett (above, left) smiles as she collects her awards on stage. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Mrs. Actress Bartlett, Academic Team Coach

1995 Academic Team (includes members of Spell Bowl, Super Bowl and Academic Decathlon teams). Top Row: M. Spector, M. Rodriguez. Middle Row: C. Corriere, T. Bulatovich, F. Olivieri. Bottom Row: H. Strains, S. Bartlett, L. Alicea, J. Dick.

HAMMOND HIGH DRAMA CLUB  
PRESENTS:

# LOUDER, I CAN'T HEAR YOU

BY BILL GLEASON

AND

# BLUES

BY JEROME MCDONALD

with special intermission entertainment by  
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by Karen Rosticher-Tate

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Adam Ramirez, dressed as a cheerleader, wheels Ivan Ramirez across the stage. Photo by: T.Zilz



Misty Strain helps Craig Scott with his make-up for the play Sister, Sister. Photo by: T.Zilz

# In a Fix

The 1994-95 Drama Club found itself in a fix this year with the auditorium condemned, so all of the plays were performed at the Area Career Center. The Drama Club put on three productions this year: Louder, I Can't Hear You!, Blues and Sister, Sister. All dealt with serious subjects. Louder! and Blues were put on together in February. Louder! was about a frustrated mother and Blues was about the homeless. The spring production, Sister, Sister was about the lives of a two sisters, one of whom is mentally handicapped.

Some people look at drama as a way of escaping their everyday lives, while others try out because acting is one of their strong points. Even if acting is not one of your strong points, there are other things to do, including lighting, fixing hair, putting on make-up and set design.

by: Heather Matney



Top Row: G.King, L.Grady, M.Strain, M.Delarosa, C.Scott, T.Bulatovich, K.Kipp, M.Spector, C.Maman. Bottom Row J.Walker, R. Ziemicki, R.Barron, M.Caudillo, A.Ramirez, I.Ramirez.

Drama Members M.Caudillo, C.Scott, I.Ramirez, N.Piatek, A.Scholl, Mr.Banham, M.Strain, R.Quigley, L.Grady, M.McAdams, M.Delarosa, and A.Ramirez get together for a quick snapshot. Photo by: T.Zilz



# Flower Power

Have you ever noticed the mysterious appearance of flowers on the outside of the building or the even more mysterious arrival of recycling containers in the cafeteria and by the pop machine? If you have, you've probably also wondered who is responsible for these deeds. The answer to that is HHS's very own Environmental Team. For the past five years HHS has participated in a citywide project known as Lever Releaf. As a part of the project, Hammond High is given a \$400 grant each year to be used to buy flowers to plant around the school. Since becoming involved with the project, HHS has won top honors several times. During the 94-95 school year, the Environmental Team decided to expand its activities and start an experimental recycling program. After seeing the results of the can project, the team may decide to start a full-blown project that includes the recycling of paper, plastic and glass as well.

Although they may not get much recognition for their efforts, the HHS Environmental Team remains undaunted in their efforts to make the school, and the city, a better place, proving the power of determination and flowers.

by: Shannon Bartlett



**WORKING UP A SWEAT.** Jeff Dick demonstrates his dedication to the school as he works up a sweat making sure the plants stay in place.  
Photo by: R.Schneider.

**MAKING HHS BEAUTIFUL.** Freshman John Ly gathers dirt in order to plant a flower. Photo by: R.Schneider.



**KEEPING IT CLEAN.** Seniors Jeff Dick and Melisa Rodriguez work together to pick up the leaves from the HHS property. Photo by: T.Bulstovich.

This picture of these lovely daffodils prove that hard work pays off.  
Photo by: T.Bulstovich.

Hero officers: Keisha Stiff (secretary), Debbie Fultz (treasurer), Candace Hernandez (president), Keith McGinty (vice president). Photo by: T. Balotavich

Jason Hofferth, Jose Lagunas, Debbie Fultz, Candace Hernandez, Keith Gora, Christine Cook, and Keith McGinty take a break from putting canned goods up to take a snapshot. Photo by: T. Zitz



Jose Lagunas puts canned goods inside the Hero showcase. Photo by: T. Zitz

Top Row: K. Stiff, K. Tucker, Ms. Sharp, L. Brown, D. Espinoza. Second Row: K. Gora, S. Stephenson, K. Barkley, T. Hayes, J. Lagunas. Third Row: T. Patterson, C. Cook, B. Baldrige, C. Hernandez, D. Fultz, R. Spore. Bottom Row: E. Cantrell, K. McGinty, P. Nelson, M. Earl, J. Hofferth.

## Some Real Heroes

HERO stands for Home Economics Related Occupations. The purpose of the HERO program is to give seniors job experience. In the classroom, the students learn basic skills such as how to write resumes, how to file taxes, how to write thank-you letters and to get letters of recommendation.

After Ms. Sharp (sponsor) picks 20 eligible students, she gives them two weeks to find a job. Then she goes to their jobs to see if the students are doing well. The students are evaluated every six weeks to get a grade. The boss and Ms. Sharp come up with the grade together. It is not just a way to get out of class for a half day, there is still work involved. They do have fun, though. The students took a trip to the Jerry Springer Show. Latisha Brown said, "all in all its just a fun class".

by: Qiana Hardy

# A Few Helpful "Keys"

If you ask someone, "What is the Key Club?", what do they do? Most people would say "they're the ones that work in the concession stand". Although this is true, it's not all that they do.

The Key Club is a service club, and it helps the community. Besides working in the concession stand, selling balloons and co-hosting the Ethnic dinner, the members do a lot more. The club members have food drives to help feed the less fortunate families. They also helped Lafayette Elementary School get computers. Half of the money they raised selling balloons went towards the computers, and the other half went towards helping students go to conventions.

by: Qiana Hardy



At the Ethnic Dinner, Key Club members Genetra King and Jamie Cobb give Madeline Luciano a door prize gift certificate.

Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Top Row: G. King, R. Ziemicki, J. Walker. Bottom Row: A. Perez, B. Flores, R. Turner, A. Chism. Photo by: Mr. Schneider

# Future Leaders

What exactly is the National Honor Society? Children in third grade know that when they're in high school they want to be in it, but why? What makes it such an honor that third graders think about getting into it? Is it all it's cracked up to be?

The National Honor Society is an organization that promotes recognition for students who demonstrate outstanding abilities in scholarship, character, leadership & service. Started in 1921 by the National Association of Secondary Schools, this national organization's objectives were "to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of character in the nation's secondary school students." Each member inducted into the NHS is required to help with a service project that the group as a whole must decide upon.

This is probably one of the most prestigious honors a high school student can receive. This recognition is regarded by colleges as a valid indicator of success in a post-secondary school.

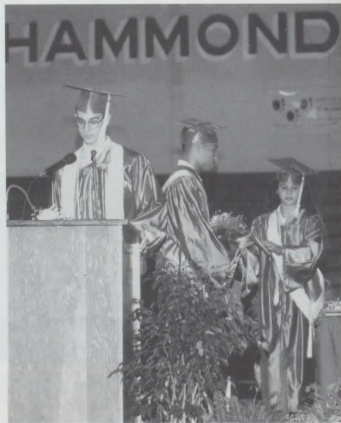
Under new sponsors, Mrs. Kostopoulos and Mrs. McMquigg, Hammond High's NHS has become more active. In the past, the NHS was just a ceremony that was participated in and a name of an organization, but not much else. This year the NHS sponsored a Valentine Day's sucker sale and is participating in the Keep America Beautiful program, which Hammond is a part of. The NHS showcase has been updated with photos of the new members and decorated in blue and gold, the colors of the NHS.

On April 6, 1995, 12 new members, 3 seniors and 9 juniors, were inducted to the already 16-member field. The 1994-1995 officers, Jeff Dick (president), Onyekachi Nwabuko (vice president), Maria Spector (secretary) and Maggie Foster (treasurer), gave their titles to the new officers: Derrick White (president), Patricia Eberle (vice president), Jane Griffith (secretary) and Aisha Chism (treasurer).

by: Caryn Corriere



Senior NHS member Melisa Rodriguez happily receives a certificate from Mr. Hayden.



NHS member Peter McAdams accepts his award from secretary Maria Spector.



**Top Row:** E.Rutherford, S.Nawrocki, C.Beatty, D.White, M.Rodriguez, M.Foster, M.Spector, J.Dick, O.Nwabuko, P.McAdams. **Middle Row:** H.Bermingham, C.Corriere, T.Cummings, T.Hendrix, A.Freese, P.Eberle, J.Perkins, L.Wainwright, J.Griffith, S.Hamel, Q.Daniels, A.Chism. **Bottom Row:** J.Cluck, S.Box, F.Oliveri.



Second-year NHS member Tashia Cummings accepts her certificate.



NHS president Jeff Dick and member Mike Austin collect their flowers and awards.



NHS vice president Onyekachi Nwabuko.



NHS treasurer Maggie Foster smiles as she heads back to her seat.



Top row; A. Weems, R. Ziembicki, J. Walker, M. Foster, Mr. White, G. King, J. Weems, M. Rodriguez, S. Box. Bottom row; J. Stankowski, R. Quigley, A. Nwabuko, T. Pennington, S. Bartlett, T. Cummings, M. Law. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



## What's it all about?

What is PSAC? PSAC, is the principal student advisory committee? The principal advisory committee is a group of students who meet with Mr. White once a month to discuss the students concerns. At Hammond High, the students concerns are all that count.

To be on the principal student advisory committee, students have to submit an essay to Mr. White, saying why they want to be on the committee.

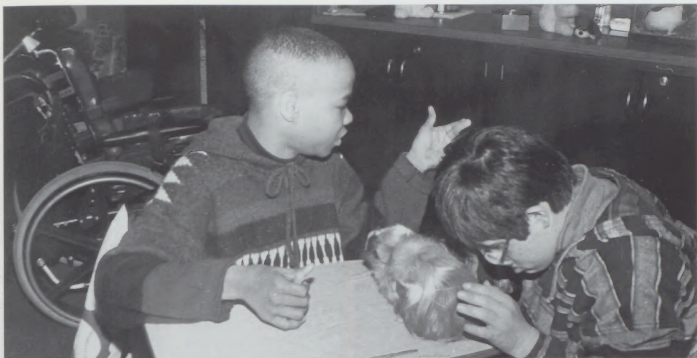
The PSAC brings up new ideas and concepts for the school. PSAC is an important job. Though many suggestions are brought up, only a few are given the go ahead.

By: Diana Cruz



After the PSAC meeting, a few members talk about what was discussed. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Donnie Temple gives much love to his peer tutor.



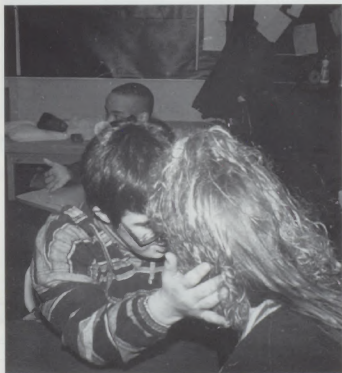
## Caring Students

What are Peer Tutors?

Peer Tutors are young adults that help prepare the mentally challenged to face life. This program is set up so that caring people can help make a difference in the lives of others.

When John S. and Laura B. were asked how they felt about being peer tutors, they both replied that it was a fun and a great experience for them to know that they had helped to prepare someone to face the world.

If interested in this class, make sure your heart is in the right place. Thanks to all peer tutors! You might not have won a season, but you've won in the game of life.



Special Ed. students Naeem Tall and Donnie Temple play with the guinea pig.

# Getting the Job Done

**SADD.** What is it all about? Students Against Driving Drunk consists of eleven to fifteen students who try to influence their fellow students not to drink and drive. SADD has a lot of meaning for those who are involved, and it is because of that the members work to encourage others not to drive while intoxicated. Members know that driving drunk can effect everyone, and believe that everyone should be involved. Although there are not many members in SADD, they always seem to get the job done.

by: T.Pennington



Top Row: Nathan Jefferson, Mrs. Jones, sponsor, Craig Scott. Second Row: Lisa Wainwright. Third Row: Jennifer Jenkins, Sparkle Box, Tenesha Pennington, Andria Weems. Bottom Row: Bernice Flores.

Jeff Rutherford, below, at the Red Ribbon Dance is in a daze but still enjoying himself. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Aja Morris (below left) stares in shock while someone takes a picture of her at the dance. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

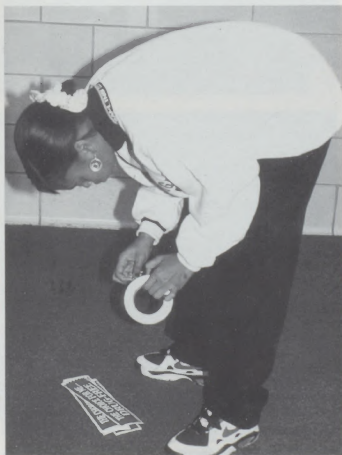
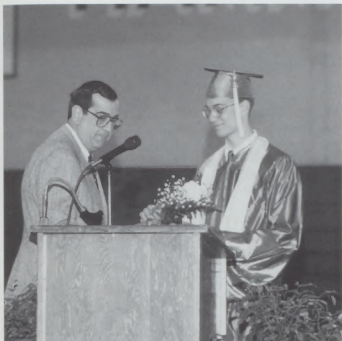


Mrs. Jones and Craig Scott are kicking it at the dance doing the electric slide. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Peggy Mitchell and Nathan Jefferson decorate Mr. Schneider's door with a Drug Free sticker. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Andria Weems, president of SADD, waves to the people as she rides by in the Homecoming parade.

At graduation, Jeff Dick stands at the podium preparing to give his Valedictory speech.



Cheryl Hardy prepares to stick up Drug-Free stickers all over the building for SADD.



Craig Scott and Rebecca Quigley act out a scene in *Sister, Sister* play for drama.

Candace Hernandez helps Jose Lagunas put canned goods into the Hero showcase.

**Top Row:** John Ly, Carmen Diaz, Patricia Eberle. **Bottom Row:** Melissa Escalante, Jeremy Prosk. **Not pictured:** Janette Cluck, Jamie Cobb, Genetra King, Peter McAdams, Brian Monberg, Matt Monberg.

Speech & Debate members Peter McAdams and Patty Eberle rest before a meet. **Photo by:** T.Bulstovich



## SPEECH & DEBATE

Through hard work, careful preparation and dedication, the Hammond High Speech and Debate team managed to defeat nearly every team in the state. Those teams included extremely competitive teams like Kokomo, Munster and Chesterton. The varsity debate record stands at 40 wins and 15 losses with two tournament championships. In addition to this outstanding record, the teams of Brian and Matt Monberg and Peter McAdams and Jan Cluck did a spectacular job at the district competitions. The team consisting of Brian and Matt took three rounds before getting eliminated. Despite the loss, Peter and Jan were still first alternates to Nationals. All-in-all the Speech and Debate team had a great season.

**by:** Chris Miranda



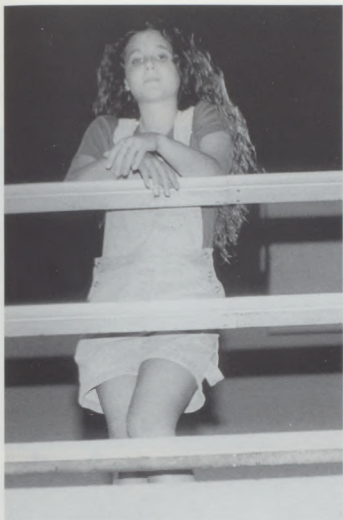
Debaters Carmen Diaz and Janette Cluck go over their arguments during practice. **Photo by:** T.Bulstovich



# Making a Difference

Can you imagine going through high school without having a Homecoming or a Winter Formal? If the thought of not having these events which alleviate the tedium that is usually associated with school fills you with horror, you should thank your Student Government for putting in the hours of hard work and dedication that planning these projects require. As soon as school begins, the Student Government's job begins. Its first task is to pick a theme for the Homecoming gala. After that, its job gets more complicated as the members begin to work on the planning of the events that are associated with Homecoming like the hayride and the parade, not to mention the princess and queen elections. Besides the Homecomings, the Student Government arranges other events like the Winter Formal and a student exchange between Hammond High and another school. Although these events are not necessary, they are a lot of fun, and they require the cooperation of lots of people. Don't just sit around and let other people plan these events. Get involved and make a difference.

by: Shannon Bartlett



Student Government members get together for some cake to celebrate the end of the year.

Top Row: O.Tussey, S.Stevenson, J.Stankowski, C.Corriere, Mrs. Popplewell, D.Cruz, S. Bartlett. Bottom Row: H.Biro, Q.Daniels, M.Spector, B. Flores, A.Barrera, C.Maman.

# Helping Out

During the 1994 football season, Caryn Corriere, Tiffany Hendrix, and Francesca Olivieri had the distinct honor of being water girls for the Wildcat football team. It was a rewarding task. The girls managed water and towels and delivered them to the boys on the field.

The team managers for basketball were Qiana Hardy, Bernice Flores, and Keely Jones. The managers' job was to make sure the team is organized before each game. These managers had to be on top of things and they did just that. They kept everything in check. As water girls and managers of the football and basketball teams they got into all the games free.

by: Tenesha Pennington

Francesca Olivieri, Jennifer Nichols, Caryn Corriere and Tiffany Hendrix, water girls of the football team, keep a close eye on the crowd. Photo By: T.Zitz



Managers of the basketball team: Qiana Hardy, Bernice Flores, Keely Jones.



# WHAT'S THE



# SCORE?





# Small In Numbers, Big In Hearts

The 1994 football team had its best season since 1988. The Wildcats brought back school spirit and pride that had not been here for years. The Wildcats only had about 40 people on the squad in August, and that made it seem as though it would be a mediocre season. Wrong. The Wildcats were small in size but big in heart.

The Wildcats started the regular season by beating Griffith, a state ranked team, and then went on to win their next two games against Gavit and Clark. The team's fourth game was the Homecoming game against the Highland Trojans. Hammond was expected to dominate the Trojans. Instead, the Wildcats barely squeaked by with a 9-6 win after a fourth quarter touchdown pass. After that win, Hammond continued on its roll and shut out Morton and demolished Roosevelt.

The seventh game was a game to be remembered. The Wildcat's opponent was one of the Wildcat's largest rivals: Munster. The Wildcats had only beaten Munster one time on the Mustangs' field. It didn't look good for the Wildcats in the fourth quarter. Munster was up by a field goal with five minutes on the clock, and the Wildcat offense had to score. That's exactly what happened. Quarterback Johnny Serbentas hooked up with wide receiver Keith Herron for a 77-yard touchdown that put the Wildcats ahead and led the team to win one of the most competitive and exciting games in the school's history.

Hammond's final game of the regular season was against Bishop Noll. This game would decide whether or not the Wildcats would have their first undefeated regular season since 1983. Hammond spanked Noll and

earned the honor of being Black Conference Champions.

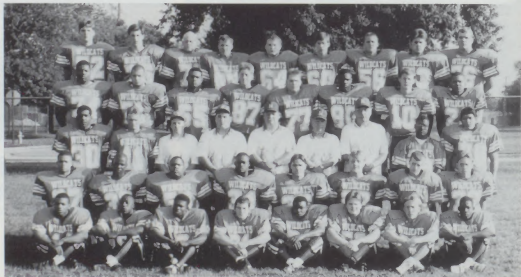
It was now playoff time. The Wildcats drew Gary Roosevelt for game one of the playoffs. The Wildcats had no trouble killing Roosevelt again. The second game of the playoffs was against Gary Lew Wallace, a state-ranked school. That game would determine who would go to the Sectional Championship, and it was predicted to be a dogfight. Lew Wallace's high-powered offense scored right away. Hammond's number one ranked defense held Wallace to six points for the whole game. Meanwhile, the Wildcat offense scored in the fourth quarter with just minutes remaining, taking the 10-0 Wildcats to the Sectional Championship against Lake Central.

Hammond went into the game as the underdog, and was expected to be defeated early and easily. The first half was a battle between the defenses, due to the field's being drenched. The Indians scored on a play in the last seconds of the first half and ended up ahead. The Wildcat offense was held under 100 yards the whole game, and the Indians scored again in the fourth quarter. The Wildcats went home heartbroken and with a 15-0 loss. Overall, the Wildcat football team had a season that many other teams could only dream about. After all, not only did they become conference champs, they did the impossible and brought back school spirit, something that had been missing for a long time. They made everyone proud of the team and Hammond High, including other schools, who learned to respect the mighty Wildcats.

by: Johnny Serbentas



When linebacker DeMario Watkins isn't killing ball carriers, he catches punts on special teams. by: Tim Zitz



Top Row: B. Delano, E. Howard, L. Graham, Ron Zack, M. Bleau, M. Monberg, Ray Zack, D. Cline, M. Austin. Second Row: B. Hicks, D. Brehmer, L. English, N. Kelding, M. Chumbley, W. Rembert, B. Monberg, D. Watkins. Third Row: A. Clopton, J. Serbentas, Coach G. O'Donnell, A. Rogers, J. Sherer, B. Sojka, J. George, C. Watts, P. Moore. Fourth Row: T. Chambliss, A. White, E. Simmons, I. Henderson, M. White, B. Austin, N. Albin, C. Baker. Bottom Row: O. White, K. Herron, A. Eichelberger, A. Demoff, T. Hulitt, C. Springsteen, I. Bertalan, C. Harris

The Wildcat offense sets behind quarterback John Serbentas as he calls the play.



Opponents	HHS
Griifith	W
Gavit	W
Clark	W
Highland	W
Morton	W
Gary Roosevelt	W
Munster	W
Bishop Noll	W

### Sectionals

Gary Roosevelt	W
Lew Wallace	W
Lake Central	L



Junior Bob DeLano attempts to pin back the opponent by punting one of his perfect spirals.



Junior running back Derrick White and quarterback Johnny Serbentas turn to lead block on the sweep.

# Hitting 'Em Hard

## Frosh

Opponent	HHS
Griffith	L
Gavit	W
Clark	W
Highland	W
Morton	W
Andrean	L
Munster	W
Noll	W

## JV

Opponent	HHS
Griffith	L
Gavit	W
Highland	L
Munster	L
E.C. Central	L
Bishop Noll	W

The freshmen football team had a good season this year. Although they lost to two of their opponents, their unstoppable offense and defense allowed them to completely shut out five teams.

The team captains were Art Williams, Anton Chase, Chad Jacobs, and defensive leader was Byron Burns. Quarterback Jermain Boyette was an essential part of the team. Rakim Jackson contributed by scoring 17 touchdowns.

The Hammond High Junior Varsity 1994 football season began on August 31st with a loss against Griffith and ended with a win against Bishop Noll on Oct. 17. The Junior Varsity Wildcats won two of its six games.

by: Qiana Hardy and Tenesha Pennington



The Cats exhibit their defense as they tackle their way to another victory. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Coach Runyan consults his team on what plays and strategies to USC. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Top Row: J. Rachau, A. Williams, J. Lewis, D. Raschke, M. Parrish, D. Kemp. Second Row: A. Weems, B. Burns, S. Smith, G. Madden, T. Ferguson. Third Row: R. Jackson, R. Albert, A. Wells, N. Thompson, M. Jones, T. Strisko, Coach Brown. Fourth Row: J. Boyette, A. Chase, V. Vela, C. Jacobs, G. Ruiz, J. Skasko. Bottom Row: J. Blankenship, A. Stanley, S. Johnson, R. Jefferson, K. Walker, M. Caston.

# Striving for Their Best

This year's frosh volleyball team put great effort into their games. The team was coached by Tenisha Allen, a former HHS athlete. On average, Frosh teams play about four games. This year the team had eight scheduled games. The freshman Lady Cats kept their heads high and still gave it their best.

The junior varsity team had a lot of talented players, but they needed a little more communication and determination. Their record does not show how well they really played when it is taken into consideration that the squad mainly consisted of freshmen and sophomores. Junior Rickeia Cotton was the captain of the junior varsity team.

by: Tenesha Pennington and Qiana Hardy

Samantha Knight, #8, goes up strong to get a block kill off of #5 from Morton. Photo by: Q.Daniels



Opponent	HHS
Clark	L
Bishop Noll	L
Hobart	L
Munster	L
Morton	L
Clark	L
Morton	L
Gavit	L



Samantha Knight, #8, shows her skills as she receives a serve and makes a perfect pass to the setter. Photo by: Q.Daniels

Top Row: Nancy Marlow, April Taylor, Monica Aguilar Second Row: Jennifer Scott, Heather Daniels, Angelica Calvillo Third Row: Virginia Luviano, Brisa Gomez, Melissa Hamel.

Christina Moore, #13, makes a pass up to the setter's position. Photo by: Q.Daniels

Top Row: Coach Kim Benich, Zedeira Ramirez, Christina Moore, Diana Nevarez. Second Row: Kristal Mathis, Ingrid Davies, Mary Law, Michelle Hernandez. Third Row: Estella Garza, Salena Rodriguez, Samantha Knight.



Coach Shawn Popplewell calls a time out for a team huddle in order to discuss team strategy. Photo by: T. Zilt

Teammates Jennifer Cloe, Keely Jones, and Melisa Rodriguez watch intensely for the ball. Photo by: T. Zilt

Sheri Mathis goes to her setter position while Keely Jones and Qwin Daniels wait to pass the ball. Photo by: T. Zilt

Iris Lopez concentrates to find the the ball in order to make a perfect pass. Photo by: T. Bulatovich





# Diggin' It Out

This year the volleyball team lacked experience. There were only two returning Varsity players, Keely Jones and Qwin Daniels.

Although they were a young and inexperienced team, they tried their best to put together a winning season. Unfortunately their record was 6-15.

The team struggled all season long in their efforts to win a conference game. The Lady Cats went into sectionals and won against E.C. Central, which put them into the Championship bracket.

The Lady Cats went into their game against Bishop Noll and played as hard as they could. Unfortunately the Lady Cats lost to the Warriors, but they captured the runner-up title, which no other volleyball team has done in four years.

By Qwin Daniels



Top Row: Coach Shawn Popplawell, Monique Miles, Qwin Daniels (not shown), Iris Lopez, Terri Gibson  
Middle Row: Teresa Price, Melissa Rodriguez, Jennifer Cloe, Bottom Row: Sheri Mathis, Araceli Sanchez, Keely Jones.



Araceli Sanchez prepares to set up Keely Jones for a spike. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

Varsity	
Opponent	HHS
Lake Central	L
Chesterton	L
F.C. Academy	L
Gary Wirt	W
Whiting	L
Munster	L
Gavit	L
Calumet	L
Bishop Noll	L
MC Rogers	L
EC Central	W
Griffith	L
Clark	L
Wallace	W
Highland	L
Morton	L
West Side	L
EC Central	W
Gary Mann	W
Sectionals	
EC Central	W
Bishop Noll	L

JV	
Opponent	HHS
Lake Central	L
Chesterton	L
FC Academy	W
Gary Wirt	W
Whiting	L
Munster	L
Gavit	L
Calumet	W
Bishop Noll	L
Griffith	L
Clark	L
Wallace	W
Highland	L
Morton	L
West Side	W
EC Central	W
Gary Mann	W
Clark	L

Running away with the ball, Carlos Cook leads his team to a goal. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Sean Raskosky clears the ball from his opponent. Photo by: T.Zilz



## True Colors Shining Through

The Hammond High soccer team had a decent season this year. They finally broke a 10 year losing streak to Munster, tying them 2 to 2 in overtime.

It was a different season for the Wildcats since soccer became a state sport. Indiana's first soccer sectional tournament was held this year.

The Wildcats were led by some great senior players such as Carlos Cook, Danny Mayorga, and Tim Zilz. Along with junior Bruno Moreno, these four players were awarded All-Area second team, and All-Conference.

In the first state sectional, the Wildcats faced Noll in the second round. It was a very intense game. Goals were being scored back and forth. In the end Noll won 3-2.

The J.V. had a rough season, but they showed a lot of potential stars for upcoming seasons.

by: Tim Zilz



Rolando Castellanos shows off his fancy footwork. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



Top Row: Coach Frank Carroll, Rick Barron, Chris Moore, Ryan Murphy, Victor Cruz, Billy Forstie, Tim Zilz, David Huerta, David McAdams Second Row: Mike Pote, Jose Cruz, Juan Campos, Rodrigo Rodriguez, Joey Reyes, Matt Jakuczyk, Ruben Castellanos, Carlos Cook Bottom Row: Miguel Chapa, Roger Raskosky, Jose Araujo, Rolando Castellanos, Danny Mayora, Francesco Gadioli

<u>Varsity</u>	
Opponent	HHS
Bishop Noll	L
Portage	L
Highland	L
Clark	W
Griffith	L
Andean	L
Munster	T
EC Central	W
Gavit	W
<u>Sectionals</u>	
Bishop Noll	L



Top Row: Coach Felic Bueto, Ryan Murphy, Matt Jakuczyk, Miguel Chapa, Chris Moore, Ted Spector, Junior Aguilar Second Row: Arturo Bermudez, Brian Casas, Roberto Mundo, Jose Cruz, Juan Campos, Darius Williams, James Seward, Roger Raskosky Bottom Row: Arturo Sanchez, Sean Murphy, Sean Bader, Daniel Rodriguez, Jason Brown, Fernando Mendietta

<u>JV</u>	
Opponent	HHS
Bishop Noll	L
Portage	L
Highland	L
Griffith	L
Andean	L
Munster	L
Crown Point	L
Bishop Noll	L



David Speaks keeps his opponents away from the HHS goal. Photo by: T.Zilz



Tim Zilz leaps up for a header. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Ruben Recio puts forth an effort to finish the season with a record time. Photo by: T.Bulatevich



Lashuna Burns and Rickeia Cotton fly to the finish line to take third place. Photo by: T.Bulatevich

## Going the Extra Mile

This season, the girls' cross country team ran into some trouble and ended the season with a record of 0 wins and 9 losses. Although on paper they didn't win, in their hearts, they are true winners. These girls tried hard to do the best that they could and were up early on Saturdays running their hearts out, rain or shine. Rickcia Cotton and Lisa Lesniewski showed how determination can pay off. They both lettered in this excellent but tiring sport. They're winners!

The boys' cross country team had a disappointing start with only three returning runners: Danny Mayorga, Les Ramos, and Ruben Rosario. Three of the runners also participated in other fall sports.

Although the team only won two out of eight meets, the members showed pride in their colors and fought hard until the very end. I give the members of this team credit. They have true school spirit.

Both the girls' and the boys' cross country teams put forth great efforts to complete their respective seasons. Their dedication proves that sometimes winning isn't as important as how you play the game.

by: Becky Middleton



Juan Aguila and Leo Ramos runs in pairs to the finish line. Photo by: T.Zile

Top Row: Craig Scott, Coach Green, Dan Spore. Middle Row: Juan Auila, Danny Mayorga. Bottom Row: Leo Ramos, Ruben Recio.



Danny Mayorga demonstrates his running ability. Photo by: T.Zile

Top Row: Coach Long. Second Row: Angela Paige, Mary Law, Lashauna Burns. Third Row: Sarah Hamcl, Lisa Lesniewski.



Girls'	
Opponent	HHS
Griffith/Highland	L
Bishop Noll/Lake Central	L
Gavit/Morton	L
Clark/Morton/Whiting	L
Gavit Invit.	L
Rebel Invit.	L
Rensselaer Invit.	L
Highland Invit.	L
Clark Invit.	L
Lake 10 Conf.	L
Sectional	L

Boys'	
Opponent	HHS
Griffith/Highland	L
/Lowell	L
Gavit/Morton	L
Clark/Morton/Whiting	W, W
Gavit Invit.	L
Rebel Invit.	L
Rensselaer Invit.	L
Highland Invit.	L
Clark Invit.	L
Lake 10 Conf.	L
Sectionals	L



# Swimming: Deep Depth = A History-Making Season

A little before 7 a.m. on August 5, 1994, the Hammond High girls' swim team gathered in a group outside the pool doors. In just a few minutes, three months of intense training and competition were about to start. With the loss of ten swimmers from the previous year, no one knew how the season was going to turn out, but they were all hoping for the best.

At 7:55 p.m. on September 13, 1994, the girls defeated Bishop Noll, a long time rival, for the first time in the team's nine year history. The score was 109 to 73. The team was now 2-2. Would the girls have a winning season? YES! With wins against Hobart, Griffith, Calumet, Lowell, two against Gavitt, in addition to the win against Noll, the team ended its regular season with a record of seven wins and six losses. This was the first winning season in the team's history.

The girls also had a record breaking season. A total of ten records, divided up among four events, were broken. Maria Spector broke her own six-dive record twice, ending up with a score of 198.85. Rachel Stern broke the 50 freestyle record three times (old- 29.47, new- 29.03), which had previously stood since 1986, and

Patty Eberle broke the 100 breaststroke two times (old- 1:26.67, new- 1:24.90), also a record that had stood since 1986. Finally, the 200 free relay team, consisting of Caryn Corriere, Diana Cruz, Rachel Stern, and Maggie Foster, broke the record three times, with a drop of almost four seconds off the previous record set last season. (Old- 2:02.42, New- 1:58.56).

The girls' season ended with Sectionals at Munster. The 200 medley relay, the 200 record-breaking team, and the 400 free relay placed 4th, 5th, and 6th respectively. On an individual note, Caryn Corriere, Patty Eberle, and Amber Freese placed 8th, 11th, and 12th respectively in the 200 IM, and Rachel Stern placed 12th in the 50 free. In diving, Maria Spector and Darlene Bellinger placed 8th and 10th respectively. The 100 butterfly had Amber Freese placing 8th and Maggie Foster 10th. Trava Buono took 12th in the 500 free and Patty Eberle placed 9th in the 100 breaststroke. Overall, the team took 5th place, which ended the season on a good note and demonstrated the "Deep Depth" of the team.

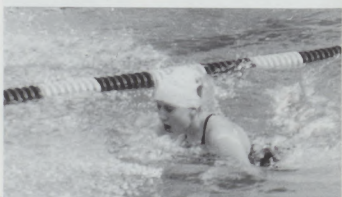
by: Caryn Corriere

Opponent	HHS
Merrillville	L
Gavitt	W
Munster	L
Bishop Noll	W
Lowell	W
Gavitt	W
Calumet	W
Portage	L
Kankakee Valley	L
Lake 10	4th
Griffith	W
Hobart	W
Griffith Invite	3rd
Munster	L
M.C. Rogers	L

## Sectionals Fourth Place



Senior swimmer Caryn Corriere gets off to a great start in the 100 yd. backstroke.



Swimming/Breathing- Is There a Connection? Of course! Here senior Tricia Bulatovich demonstrates it perfectly in the 100 yd. breaststroke. Photo by: T.Zilla

ON THE EDGE OF PERFECTION! After attending a diving camp this past summer, senior Maria Spector gets this dive as close to perfection as it can get. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

GO RELAY, RELAY GO, GO RELAY GO! The HHS relay teams take a few seconds to prepare for their race against Calumet. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



**Top Row:** D. Bellinger, R. Stern, B. Autry, C. Corriere, P. Eberle, A. Freese. **Second Row:** Coach P. Malis, Coach R. Rokita, W. Fau, S. Bell, J. Nichols. **Third Row:** D. Cruz, J. King, M. Foster, T. Buono, L. Sponzilli, K. Sponzilli. **Bottom Row:** H. Hinken, C. Stern, M. Spector, T. Bulatovich, A. Barr.



**BUTTERFLY, BACKSTROKE, BREASTSTROKE, FREE! WHO'S THE SWIMMER WE NOW SEE?** It's senior Amber Freese during the backstroke portion of the 200 yd. individual medley. Photo by: T.Zilz

**HELP! SOMEONE'S DROWNING!** Of course, we're not referring to junior Rachel Stern, we're referring to her opponent. Photo by: T.Zilz

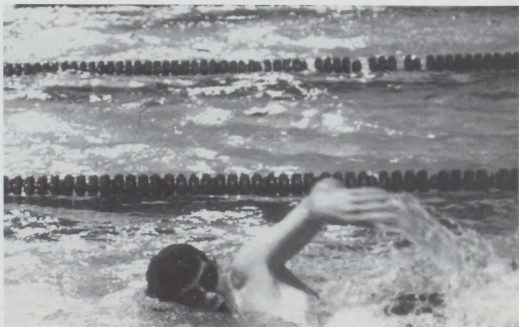
Team Captain Jason Hofferth pours it on as he and sophomore Acy Wartsbaugh race for the finish line. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Sophomore Billy Schneider takes the plunge as he reaches for the water during a diving competition. Photo by: T.Bulatovich



HHS's star diver Billy Schneider flips through the air in another first-place dive. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Sophomore Dan King grabs a quick breath of air as he races for the finish. Photo By: T.Bulatovich





Opponent	HHS
Morton	L
West Side	W
Wirt	W
Griffith	L
Bishop Noll	W
Roosevelt	W
Calumet	L
Lew Wallace	W
M.C. Rogers	L
Crown Point	L
Lowell	L
Lake 10	7th Place

### Sectional Results

Jason Hofferth

50 free 10th Place

200 medley relay

7th Place

Frank Eggers

100 fly 11th Place

200 free 6th Place

400 relay 5th Place

## Starting Over

The boys' swim team went through a lot of changes during the 1994-95 school year. For a number of years William Bowers, a shop teacher at the Area Career Center, was the boys swim coach. This year Brian Jacks, a second year U.S. History teacher here at Hammond High, chose to take over the Hammond High swim team. Mr. Jacks worked very hard to make his team a powerful one. Swimming is a sport that requires a lot of hard work and dedication. The boys practiced twice a day with one practice beginning at six o'clock in the morning and the other right after school. The team captains did a lot to keep the team together. Regan Rokita, diving coach for both the boys and the girls' teams, coached Cory Baker, William Schneider and Frank Eggers through the diving competitions. The boys' swim team ended their season with a record of 5-7 and a fifth place in Sectionals.

By: Diana Cruz



Top Row: C.Baker, J.Hofferth, D.King. Second Row: Coach Brian Jacks, Acy Wartsbaugh, M.Stevens, A.Campos. Bottom Row: W.Schneider, C.Grinder, A.Demoff, F.Eggers.



Gabe Sanchez, a sophomore, reaches for the sky swimming the backstroke at a meet. Photo by: T.Bulavich



Coach Badovinich relaxes before an intense game.

Photo by: T.Bulatovich

Point guard Shaniece Smith passes the ball to DeVette Buntyn to sink another "3".

Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Up in the air goes Charlene Perkins to five #14 of Roosevelt.

Photo by: T.Bulatovich

**Top Row:** Coach Badovinich, M. Law, Q. Daniels, C. Perkins, D. Buntyn, T. Edmond, JV Coach Don Plogh. **Bottom Row:** S. Smith, T. Price, D. Buntyn, E. Henderson, R. Cotton, J. Perkins.





#42 Eboni Henderson throws the ball to #34 Josette Perkins.  
Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Shooting over Roosevelt's #24 is Shaniece Smith. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

DeVette Buntyn nails another free throw. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



## Rough Season but Promising Future

The Lady Wildcats put forth a great effort to become the "Quad Squad." Unfortunately, the team's past successes did not rub off on the young team. The team captains were Shaniece Smith and Qwin Daniels, the only senior. Both were later selected to become members of the All Conference team. Although the team's record was only 9-10, it did not reflect the team's determination and its effort to put together a winning season.

After winning the first three games, the Lady Cats thought that the season would continue to be a good one. Before the Lady Cats lost to Calumet, they had not lost a conference game in three years. Undaunted by the defeat, the Lady Cats continued reaching for their goal.

During the West Side game, the Lady Cats lost Danish Williams, a valuable player. In spite of this setback, the Cats continued to fight and claw their way into the conference championship game against Bishop Noll. The Lady Cats lost, and their dream of becoming the "Quad Squad" was destroyed.

by: Qwintoria Daniels

Opponent	HHS
T.F. North	W
Munster	W
Calumet	L
Lew Wallace	L
Wirt	W
Griffith	W
Lake Central	L
Morton	W
West Side	L
Whiting	L
Highland	L
Clark	L
M.C. Marquette	W
Clark	W
Highland	W
Gavit	W
Roosevelt	L
Bishop Noll	L

Sectionals	
Morton	L

# Pulling it together

The Jv Lady Wildcats adjusted to high school basketball very quickly. This year the Jv girls had a new coach name Don Plohg. Their record was 7-11. This group of young ladies showed great a amount of talent. The team captains were Rickeia Cotton and Mary Law. There were others on the team members that showed great leadership such as: Samantha Knight, Christina Moore and Lisa Lesniewsky. The Jv Lady Wildcats worked together very well, which by the way makes a team. The Jv team was made up with seven freshmen and three sophomores. I think that this it is very good to have a young team to start off with because in the years to come this group of young ladies will make it very far. Keep up the good work and don't stop working hard. It will pay off!

by:Qwin Daniels



**Top Row:** B. Autry, M. Law, M. Miles, R. Cotton, C. Williams, Coach Don Plohg. **Bottom Row:** N. Marlo, C. Moore, C. Stern, L. Burns, L. Lesniewsky, S. Knight.



Brooke Autry drives in the lane to score some more points against Roosevelt.

Brooke Autry rushed to gain possession of the ball.



## Opponent HHS

TF North	L
Munster	L
Calumet	W
Gary Wallace	W
Gary Wirt	W
Griffith	L
Lake Central	L
Morton	L
West Side	L
Highland	L
Clark	L
Whiting	W
M.C. Marquet	L
Clark	W
Highland	L
Gavit	W
Gary Roosevelt	W
Bishop Noll	L



Obviously Roosevelt's defense isn't good enough because HHS scores again.

# Working together

The Freshman Wildcat team played well, and these young athletes adjusted to High School basketball quickly. Their record was 14-4. When asked what was the difference between middle school and High school many replied more practices and crowd participation. There were a couple of memorable games. The first that stands out is against Morton, with three seconds left Mike Caston hit a jumper to win the game. This young team learned to work together to win. Keep up the good work.

by:Qiana Hardy



**Top Row:** Coach O'Donnell, D.Brown, T.Sheppard, G. Addison, D.Snyder, J. Woods, W.Commer.**Middle Row:** T. Austin, F.Akers, T.Pollard, C.Moore, C.Albin, J.Gause.,**Bottom Row:** Managers:Q.Hardy, B.Flores, K.Jones.

Freshmen	
Opponent	HHS
Horace Mann	W
Bishop Noll	L
ClarK	W
TF North	W
Gary Roosevelt	W
Munster	W
TF South	W
Illiana	W
TF North	W
Gary Wallace	L
Highland	W
Gavit	W
Westside	L
Calumet	W
Morton	W
EC Central	L
Whiting	W
Griffith	W

Jv	
Opponent	HHS
Gary Wirt	L
Bishop Noll	L
M.C.Rogers	L
Clark	W
Munster	L
T.F. North	W
Portage	W
Bloom	W
Highland	L
Hillcrest	L
Gavit	W
Gary Wallace	L
Calumet	W
Gary Roosevelt	W
Morton	W
Westside	L
Whiting	W
DeSales	L
Griffith	W
Horace Mann	L



#55A. Williams goes up for the jumpball against Calumet.

**Teamwork!** The team huddles together for support.



**Top Row:** Coach J.Brown, S.Johnson, D.Castellanos, M. Parrish, A.Williams, F.Merced, D.Ashley, M.Jones.**Bottom Row:**J.Brown, J.Boyette, B.Haywood, N.Johnson, A.Chase, M.Caston.

# Teamwork

## *Makes a Difference*

The Wildcats had a phenomenal season this year, going from a record of 7-14 (93-94) to 18-5 (94-95). Teamwork was the reason, and the stats prove that everyone did their share. Some players that really stood out were Brian Swanson, Cory Moore, Keith Herron and Fred Williams. Others who played hard but didn't get as much recognition were David McAdams, Tony Chase and Mike Pote.

The season began slowly with two losses to Wirt and Noll, but the Wildcats quickly picked it up with a nine game winning streak. They worked hard and gained their recognition as the Lake 10 Conference champs.

by: Qiana Hardy



David McAdams leaps over his opponents as he goes up for a basket.  
Photo by: T. Bulatovich

The HHS basketball team races against Clark as it tries to get the rebound. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



You're too slow! That's what Mike Pote is probably thinking as he shoots one over Bloom's #14. Photo by: T. Bulatovich.

Shooting is what Keith "Jack" Herron does best, as he pays no attention to another one of #14's attempts to stop the Wildcats. Photo by: T. Bulatovich





Top Row: Assistant Coach Greg O'Donnel, Head Coach George Green, D. McAdams, C. Moore, B. Delano, F. Williams, C. Commer, Frosh Coach James Brown. Middle Row: K. Herron, A. Wilson, B. Swanson, L. Chase, P. McAdams, M. Pote, R. Phillips. Bottom Row: Managers: Q. Hardy, B. Flores, K. Jones.



Fred Williams Honorable Mention. Photo by: T. Bulatovich



Keith Herron first team, All Conference. Photo by: Q. Daniels



Brian Swanson, first All Conference team and a member of the West All-Star team. Photo by: J. Daniels

David McAdams shows off his vertical jump as he soars over Clark. Photo by: T. Bulatovich

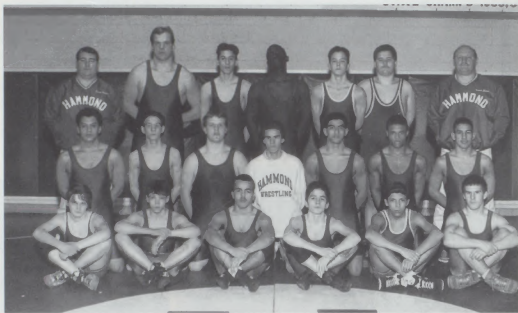
## Opponent HHS

Gary Wirt	L
Bishop Noll	L
M.C. Rogers	W
Clark	W
Munster	W
T.F. North	W
Portage	W
Bloom	W
Highland	W
Hillcrest	W
Gavit	W
Lew Wallace	L
Calumet	W
Gary Roosevelt	W
Morton	W
West Side	W
Whiting	W
DeSales	W
Griffith	W
Horace Mann	W
<b>Sectionals</b>	
Whiting	W
Gavit	W
E.C. Central	L



Opponent	HHS
Griffith	W
Bishop Noll	W
Morton	W
Calumet	Tourney
	L
Whiting	W
E.C. Central	L
Clark	Tie
M.C. Elston	W
Chesterton	L
Gavit	L
Highland	L
Munster	W
Gary Roosevelt	W
River Forest	W
Concord	W
Morton	W
Sectional Champs	

Top Row: Coach Rogers, M.Austin, P. Vaccaro, R.Turner, T.Depew, R.Spencer, Coach Sherer. Middle Row: R.Castellanos, M.Jancosek, B.Austin, Manager A.Jacobs, J.Reyes, T.Chambliss, D.Mayorga Bottom Row: S.Biro, A.Johnston, R.Moreno, V.Vaccaro, R.Recio, C.Jacobs.



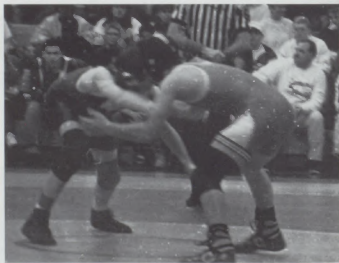
## Wrestling...

### *Feel The Squeeze*

The wrestling squad performed well this past year, and HHS had eight Regional qualifiers. These successful Sectional winners were seniors Mike Austin and Daniel Mayorga, juniors Mike Jancosek, Jose Reyes and Phillip Vaccaro, sophomores Ben Austin and Adam Johnston, and freshman Vinnie Vaccaro. Four of those eight won at Sectionals. These four were Vinnie Vaccaro-first, Adam Johnston-first, Daniel Mayorga-second and Mike Austin-third. They all went on to Semi-State.

At Semi-State, they all did a good job and Vinnie Vaccaro took fourth, qualifying him for State. This is a big accomplishment for anybody, but it is a phenomenal achievement for a first year athlete. Congratulations Vinnie for making State and to all of the wrestlers for a remarkable season over all.

by: Tina Rangel & Camila Martinez



Vinnie Vaccaro shows his talent at Sectionals by beating his opponent and taking first place. Photo by: S.Raskosky.

# Keep on Movin'

This year alone, the Hammond High Pom Kats had two different teams and two different sponsors! At the beginning of the year Mrs. Schiralli was the Pom Kats' sponsor, but then Mrs. Jones took over the poms because Mrs. Schiralli became ill. The Pom Kats also went through a lot of personnel changes over the year. In spite of all these obstacles, the Pom Kats kept trying and managed to keep themselves together and their heads held high, even when the squad was threatened with disbandment. For the coming year, the Pom Kats will have a choreographer, Marsha Ester, who is a former Hammond High student. The Pom Kats practice every day to make sure that they get their routine right.

by: Qwintoria Daniels



The Pom Kats (top right) perform at a basketball game. Photo by: T. Bulatovitch.



Top Row: S. Hargrove, C. Scott, R. Quigley, A. Chism, J. Jenkin. Middle Row: J. Walker, B. Flores, A. Patrick Bottom Row: A. Taylor, T. Winston.



Mrs. Schiralli, the first sponsor.

Mrs. Jones, the second sponsor.

Ron Zack gets into pitching position, ready to throw a strike. Photo by: T.Zilz

## Givin' It Their All

The Hammond High baseball team, struggled through this year, suffering through a 7-15 season. The team started out hot by winning four out of their first six games. Then the team took a turn for the worse and lost the next 12 games that they played. Marvin Smith was the bright spot for the Wildcats, having a batting average near .400 all season long. "The Wildcats lost many close games, and pitching has not been the problem," stated a member of the baseball team.

Honorable mention All-Conference Ron Zack led the team with Pete Moore and Mike Pote. Jake Sheehy provided leadership and quality games along with sophmores Chris Moore and Freddie Akers. The Wildcats turned it around toward the of the season, becoming a team and not individuals. The Wildcats lost against EC Central by one point.

by: Mike Pote and Qwin Daniels



Greg Page runs quickly to first base. Photo by: T.Zilz



Eric Howard is excited about the game. Photo by: T.Zilz

The Wildcats are preparing themselves for a victory. Photo by: T.Zila



Tim Depew runs back to first because of a foul ball. Photo by: T.Zila



Top Row: C. Marshal, Coach G. Malis, Coach Vaquez, Coach Kessic, E. Howard, R. Zack, G. Page, M. Parrish, J. Sheehy, R. Zack, Coach Phantlin, Coach O'Donnel. Middle Row: J. Lewis, M. Jones, P. Moore, T. Depew, S. Corrier, N. Schmidt, M. Smith, B. Robinson, J. Serbentas, M. Pote, R. Murphey, C. Moore. Bottom Row: J. King, M. Caston, J. Hurtado, A. Chase, M. Rivera, E. Vela, J. Boyette, F. Akers, M. White, D. King, P. Eberle.

Opponent	HHS
Merrillville	L
C. Point	L
R. Forest	W
L. Wallace	W
Gavit	W
Morton	W
Calumet	L
B. Noll	L
Highland	L
Whiting	L
Clark	L
Munster	L
B. Noll	L
Griffith	L
Morton	L
Gavit	L
Calumet	L
Highland	L
Whiting	W
Clark	W
Wirt	W
Griffith	L
Munster	L
G. Mann	W
B. Noll	L

Sectionals	
E.C. Central	L

Maria Spector whips one right over the pitcher's head. Photo by: BK Cowart

The Lady Wildcats seniors give their teammates a prep talk before sectionals. Photo by: BK Cowart



Qwin Daniels delivers a strike right down the middle. Photo by: BK Cowart



Everybody huddles for the team pep talk. Photo by: BK Cowart



**Top Row:** Coach S. Kimmen, Q. Daniels, C. Moore, B. Autry, Assistant Coach B. Cowart . **Middle Row:** M. Spector, C. Maman, J. Cobb, N. Marlo, B. Flores . **Bottom Row:** K. Mathis, S. Mathis, E. Mercado, S. Knight, F. Oliveri .





# A New Beginning

This year the Hammond High softball team had a new beginning. There were two new coaches, Stacey Kimmen and, a former softball player, BK Cowart. There were also seven freshmen that came out for softball, and four returning seniors. The team captains were Maria Spector, Cheryl Maman, Qwin Daniels and Sheri Mathis.

These ladies went through a rough season, only winning 2 out of 15 games. They had long practices to try to work out their errors. Some people worked harder than others, and they tried as hard as they could to win more

than two games. The lady Wildcats had a lot of younger teammates that were not use to playing high school softball. Some people say that these girls didn't have a lot of talent, but they were wrong. These girls had talent, dedication and some had experience, but they just didn't know how to play together as a team and not as individuals. These girls deserved to win more then two games, but they didn't work as a team. If they would have worked as a team, they probably would have won more then what they did!

by:Qwin Daniels



They watch in azazement! Photo by: BK Cowart

Jv Top Row: Coach S. Kimmen, G. King, A. Condes, D. Nerarez, M. Aguilar, Assistant Coach B. Cowart. Middle Row: V. Mayes, M. Lopez, A. Cavillo. Bottom Row: A. Knight, D. Roa, S. Dorothy, B. Bellinger.

Opponent	HHS
Wheeler	L
Lowell	L
Griffith	L
EC Central	W
EC Central	L
Clark	L
Calumet	W
Munster	L
Whiting	L
B.Noll	L
Gavit	L
TF South	L
TF South	L
Highland	L
Morton	L
Gavit	L

## Sectionals

Morton	L
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Beginning

Top Row: Coach R.Badovinich, M.Chapa, A.Wartsbaugh, D.Spore. Bottom Row: R.Spore, D.Cline.

Opponent	HHS
Bishop Noll	L
Highland	L
Calumet	W
Munster	L
Morton	W
Whiting	W
Griffith	L
Clark	W
Gavit	L



## Swingin' Away!

This year the Hammond High golf team had seven players that came out for the team and completed the year. The Hammond High golf team won 4 games and only lost five. These young men were making a great amount of improvement. This is the best record that the golf team have had in a couple of years.

These young men worked hard and they had to have a lot of patience to win and to also put up with the funny weather that mother nature gave them this spring. Congratulations to the HHS Golf team on their great successes.

by:Qwin Daniels

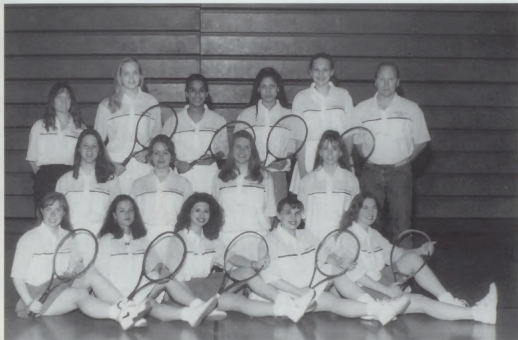
# They're Back. . .

There was a new addition to the girls tennis team this year: Coach Bob Kitchell and his sister Nancy, the assistant coach. The team had a lot of improvements and Coach Kitchell was a big help. Since they took over the team, Coaches Bob and Nancy have helped it to improve such things as serving, hitting backhands and forehands. But overall, the team worked hard to make

their season a better one.

Even though the overall season was not that great, they had many personal bests. The number one doubles pair worked hard to get to regionals even though they had a tough time advancing to state.

By: Diana Cruz and Holly Biro



Top Row: Assistant Coach N. Kitchell, H. Strain, D. Cruz, A. Barrera, P. Stewart, Coach B. Kitchell. Middle Row: S. Adams, G. Torres, I. Davis, C. Hart. Top Row: J. Cluck, N. Mandragon, H. Biro, H. Hinkin, M. Foster.



Opponent	HHS
Whiting	L
L. Wallace	W
E.C. Central	L
E.C. Central	L
Munster	L
Morton	L
Griffith	L
Gavit	L
Calumet	L
R. Forest	L
Clark	L
Bishop Noll	L
Whiting	L
Highland	L
Morton	L
E.C. Central	L
HMD City Classic	L
Sectionals	L

**Top Row:** E. Henderson, A. Nwabuko, R. Totton, M. Law, Coach S. Popplewell, Coach J. Armstrong. **Middle Row:** L. Lesniewski, L. Burns, K. Brey, K. Brey, J. Cummings, J. Cummings. **Bottom Row:** N. Jones, T. Jones, M. Hamel, J. Perkins, A. Patrick.



Girls	
Opponent	HHS
Lake 10	L
Noll Relays	L
B. Noll	W
Calumet/Gavit	W
Highland/Clark	W
Griffith/Noll	W
Munster/Morton	W
Highland	L
Lake 10 Conference	L
Lake 10 Conference 9&10	W
Sectionals	L

Rickeia Cotton (top left) aims for 2nd place. Photo by: C. Diaz

Track star, Nathan Jefferson (top right) dominates all other competitors in the 110 m high hurdles. Photo by: C. Diaz



## Goin' for the Best

"We may not have the quantity, but we do have a lot of quality." Coach Brown would start each practice after school with these words for his runners. The boys' track team was down to six runners half way through the season. Despite the lack of participants, the team had some of the top runners in the region. The Wildcats surprised all of lake county by placing second at the Lake Ten Conference Championship. Boys' MVP was Kachi Nwabuko.

The girls, on the other hand, had much better luck with participation. Coach Popplewell managed to keep most of her team throughout the season and had some top runners of her own. The Lady Wildcats did well at the conference championship, and seven made it past sectionals, including two shot and disc throwers. Girls' MVP was Rickeia Cotton.

By: Kachi Nwabuko



Top Row: Coach T. Brown, J. Dick, O. Nwabuko, C. Cook, J. Jones, D. Raschke, D. Speaks, Coach J. Brown. Middle Row: L. Hines, G. Radek, M. Chapa, A. Bracey, N. Brooks, T. Chambliss, N. Jefferson, J. Brown. Bottom Row: J. Alba, R. Jefferson, J. Dennis, C. Harris, R. Recio.

Kachi Nwabuko leads the pack in the 200m sprint while he overcomes E.C. Central's Jahi Garrett in the turn. Photo by: C. Diez



# Changing Times

Times are changing and so is the H.H.S. cheerleading team. This year they expanded the Varsity squad to 12, the JV to 8 and the Freshmen to 6 cheerleaders on each squad. With these additions they were able to reach great heights.

One event they participated in was a summer camp at Northern Illinois University in which they spent their time learning new cheers and stunt techniques. In the fall, they won a fourth place trophy in the Purdue Calumet Cheer Competition. One of their biggest accomplishments was competing in the Hammond Christmas Parade in which they won a first place trophy. During basketball season the cheerleaders held a camp for first through fifth grade elementary students ("Kitty Kats") in which the cheerleaders taught them cheers, gymnastics and stunts. The Kitty Kats then performed at a basketball game at half-time.

"Being a cheerleader has been a lot of hard work, but I've had the chance to watch our team grow. We've shared many good and bad times together. I wish the new cheerleaders all the luck in the world, and I'll miss them very much."

by: Heather Bermingham



JV (above, right) Top Row: A.Barrera, T.Darrouh, M.Strain. Middle Row: C.Diaz, T.Pennington. Bottom Row: H.Grudzien, H.Matney, D.Scepkowski.

Freshmen cheerleaders Kim Davis and Merisha Jones smile for the camera as they wait for the parade to begin.

Varsity Top Row: J.Griffith, C.Hart, C.Hutton, S.Box. Middle Row: A.Knight, S.Hamel, H.Bermingham, M.Spector. Bottom Row: H.Biro, J.Rencich, J.Doherty, L.Baughard.



Freshmen Top Row: M.McAdams. Middle Row: E.Long, K.Davis, M.Hussey. Bottom Row: S.Doherty, M.Jones.

Varsity cheerleaders Holly Biro and Heather Bermingham lead the Kitty Kats in a cheer. Photo by: T.Zile



Cheerleaders Misty Strain and Amanda Knight lift Darleia Scepkowski into the air. Photo by: T.Zile



The combined cheerleading squad performs its award-winning routine at the Christmas Parade. Photo by: T.Zile



The freshmen squad leads the JV squad in a routine as the audience watches. Photo by: T.Bulatovich

# WHAT'S YOUR NAME?





Freshmen (left) and sophomores (below) show their school spirit as they dress for Kiddie Day. Photo by: T.Balastovich

Senior Isa Houser dances on her skates at the Roller Dome. Photo by: T.Balastovich

Basketball players David McAdams and brother Peter McAdams escort their mother at Parents' Night. Photo by: T.Ziz

Students head to their next class. Photo by: T.Balastovich

Exchange student Francesca Oliveri smiles as she reaches into her locker. Photo by: T.Balastovich



**Just One More  
Minute**

**in memory of  
Rafael Arreguin**

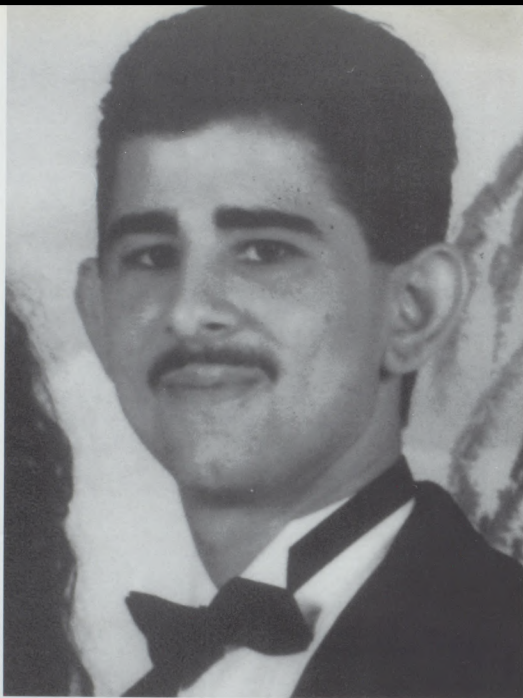
Just one more minute  
is not enough  
to express to you  
our sorrow.

Just one more minute  
is not enough  
to say how much  
you're missed.

Just one more minute  
is not enough  
to share what we've  
been feeling.

Yet just one more  
minute  
is all we pray —  
to have you back,  
to see your smile,  
to touch your face,  
to say good-bye.

xo  
Mrs. A. Silverman



**In Memory of Our Friend and  
Classmate,  
Rafael Arreguin, Jr.  
November 28, 1977-July 16,  
1994**



# Smooth Runnings

The job of running a school as large as Hammond High School is a tough one that requires the cooperation of many different people. Every job, large or small, makes an essential contribution to keeping Hammond High running smoothly. Those people charged with the task of running HHS include the custodial staff which keeps the school clean and beautiful and the cafeteria staff which supplies the school with not only lunch, but also breakfast, and the teachers and administrators whose job it is to educate and discipline the students. Not to be left out are the security guards who work extra hours in addition to working for the police force to keep Hammond High School a safe place. These are only a few of the people who work diligently at Hammond High, providing the structure, balance and the rules that Hammond High School's students love to hate, but realize are necessary to their well-being.

by: Shannon Bartlett



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Attendance  
Mrs. Carol Stewart,  
Aide

# A New Beginning

As freshmen, students begin to realize where they stand in life. They are looked at as the "little people" because they are starting from the bottom all over again. It's the beginning of a long journey for the class of 1998, and they, like those that went before them, will have their share of disappointments. They also have a lot to look forward to in the years to come. They will have many advantages that they didn't have as freshmen. They will be able to compete on the varsity level and attend the prom. They will also have new adventures and experiences. The class of 1998 still has quite a way to go before graduation, but in the mean time, they will enjoy their time at Hammond High School.

by: Heather Matney

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Robert Lohrbach  
Elaine Long  
Chris Lopez  
Carmen Lugo  
Marisol Lugo



Wendi Lundmark  
Virginia Luviano  
John Ly  
Karyann Lydick  
David Maar  
Avary Mabry



Rodney Macon  
George Madden  
Nancy Marlow  
Emmanuel  
Martinez  
Jessica Martinez  
Erica Mata



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Edward Matteara  
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Veronica Mayes  
James Mays  
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Alicea Medrano  
Alonzo Mendoza  
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Monique Miles



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Robert Mundo  
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Ann Nystrom  
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Daniel Ortega  
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Sonseeahray Parris  
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Danielle  
Pennington  
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Melody Raganyi  
Natalie Rardin



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Janell Ray  
Shalon Reese  
Leslie Reyes  
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Daniel Rodriguez  
Sergio Rodriguez  
Michael Roman  
Hector Rosario





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Gustavo Ruiz  
Jason Rutherford  
Albert Ryan  
Takeisha Ryan  
Matthew Rzasa



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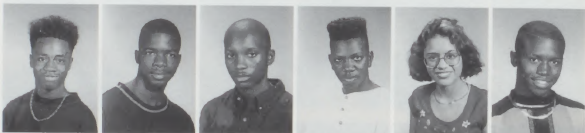
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Norberto Vargas  
Victor Vela  
Kyrann Walker



Anton Warren  
Anthony Weems  
Andre Wells  
Daniel White  
Nuria Whitton  
Adam Williams



Arthur Williams  
Kwame Williams  
Latonya Williams  
Lavoeia Williams  
Lawight Williams  
Tewanner Wilson



La Toya Winston  
Tracey Yancy  
Michelle Zack  
Angie Ziemkowski  
Elisabeth Zilz



# A Whole New World

As students step out of their freshmen year and into their sophomore year, they enter a whole new world. They also take a step away from their old freshmen fears.

They face new challenges and new obstacles. Some of the advantages for sophomores includes being able to attend the Prom if asked by an upperclassmen and playing on a varsity sport team if skilled enough.

Some of the obstacles sophomores face are having to decide what type of life to lead through the rest of their high school years.

by: Brisa Gomez

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Roger Clark  
Jason Cobb  
Scott Corriere  
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Celest Griffin  
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Shronda Hargrove  
Chris Harris  
Montarey Harris



Darius Harvy  
Matt Hawkins  
Keith Herron  
April Hill  
Larry Hines  
Lagina  
Hollingsworth



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Tyronne Hulitt  
Clifton Humphrey  
DeMario Hunter  
Carrie Hutton



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Ira Jackson  
Jarvis Jackson  
Matthew  
Jakubczyk  
Shavone Jiles



Kendrick Johnson  
Tahi Johnson  
Adam Johnston  
Beverly Jones  
Latasha Jones  
Ed Kaczmariski



Nick Kelding  
Daniel King  
Amanda Knight  
Keith Komanski  
Frank Koonce  
Walter Kozik



Tameka Larson  
Mary Law  
Rhonda Lesjak  
Damon Lewis  
Eric Long  
Erica Lopez

Crystal Markwood  
Chrissy Marshall  
Gwendolyn Martel  
Kevin Mathis  
Angus Matta  
Sharon Mc Coy



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Peggy Mitchell  
Chris Moore  
Deandre Morris  
Aaron Nebel



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Nwabuko  
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Jose Pagan  
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Devon Rice  
Maria Rivera  
Kahlia Robinson  
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Jason Rodriguez  
Selena Rodriguez  
Jonathan Rojas  
Doris Rosario  
Devon Ross





Lee Rutledge  
Delia Salinas  
Araceli Sanchez  
Sheila Scepkowski  
William Schneider  
Craig Scott



Jennifer Serbentas  
Robert Slack  
Jim Slavo  
Jordan Smith  
Shaneice Smith  
William Smith



Dan Snyder  
David Speaks  
Mia Spears  
James Spencer  
Jaclyn Stankowski  
Michael Stephens



Mike Stewart  
Patty Stewart  
Heather Strains  
Earl Thompkins  
Daniel Tirado  
Jose Tirado



Moises Tirado  
Johanna Torres  
Alexander Toth  
Rodney Turner  
Candace Tyler  
Tywan Valliant



Joel Vazquez  
Jose Vega  
Margarita Vega  
Carlo Walker  
Acy Wartsbaugh  
Corey Watt



Mike White  
Denise Wilbert  
Malikia Wilder  
Chudney Williams  
Darius Williams  
Kim Williams

Jack Wisniewski  
Jonathan Woods  
Samantha  
Workman  
Michelle Young  
Ruth Ziembeck



Junior Ruth Gamez, left, ties a red ribbon for Red Ribbon Week.

Photo by: T.Bulatovich.

Junior princess candidates (far left) Carla Cook and Jane Griffith ride in luxury during the Homecoming parade.

Jane Griffith (below) and one of the students she mentors smile for the camera.

Juniors Ray Zack and Jennifer Rencich (below, left) sample the buffet at the Winter Formal.



Tameka Ross takes time out from her dancing to give the smile that won her the Junior class princess title. Photo by: T.Bulatovich.



"Space Willie" mysteriously transported himself from his place in the junior class hallway to the back of a van in time for the parade.



Junior Miguel Chapa (above, right) grins for the camera while celebrating at the Red Ribbon Dance. Photo by: T.Bulatovich.

Mrs. Jones' honors English class gets into Homecoming as they dress for Hippie Day. Photo by: T.Bulatovich.



Junior class officers: Patti Eberle, vice-president, Diana Cruz, president, Jennifer Walker, secretary, Brandi Crawford, treasurer, not pictured.

# Eyes Forward

The junior year is the most difficult time for many high school students. It's the year that students have to start planning for their futures, deciding where to go to college, taking the dreaded SAT's and even more importantly, making the grades.

The juniors are expected to be accountable, mature and responsible for their own actions. The class of 1996 exemplifies these traits and always followed through, working hard to make it their most memorable year. The true challenge, however, still lies ahead of them in the form of their senior year. Are they ready for it? Who knows. The future holds many things yet to be known.

by: Diana Cruz



Jamie Aguilar  
Monica Aguilar  
Zaneda Alexander  
Idalmys Alvarez  
Rosa Alvarez  
Raymond  
Anderson



Antonio Armstrong  
Juan Avila  
Cory Baker  
Candy Baldner  
Clive Beatty  
Kristi Becker



Lathario Bellamy  
Brandi Bellinger  
Amber Benni  
Jason Blagg  
Crystal Blair  
Micheal Bleau



Ebonice Bracey  
Kenya Bray  
Kisha Bray  
Melinda Brooks  
Melissa Brooks  
Elaine Brown



Dina Buchanan  
Devena Buntyn  
Devette Buntyn  
Trava Buono  
Pedro Burgos  
Latasha Butcher



Marissa Camarillo  
Michael Cauillo  
Henry Chambliss  
Miguel Chapa  
Marcus Chase  
Aisha Chism



Michael Chumbley  
Stacie Clark  
Kristien Cline  
Anthony Clopton  
Jamie Cobb  
Chrissy Cole



Terrence Cole  
Michelle Condes  
Carla Cook  
Kim Cotton  
Tyree Covington  
Brandi Crawford



Diana Cruz  
Nicol Curry  
Andrea Daulton  
Ingrid Davies  
Delia Davis  
Melinda DeLaRosa



Robert Delano  
Tim DePew  
Carmen Diaz  
Jesus Diaz  
Jessica Doherty  
Bill Domsic



Alicia Doss  
William Dutro  
Patricia Eberle  
Eric Edelman  
Tandra Edmond  
Adrian Eichelberger





Lorenzo English  
Lucy Enriquez  
Joey Fisher  
Oneka Fortune  
Anesha Fultz  
Ruthie Gamez



Gason Gans  
Brisa Gomez  
Chrashona Goodwin  
Shannon Gray  
Jennifer Green  
Holly Grudzien



Bobby Griffin  
Jane Griffith  
Ana Guillermo  
John Guthrie  
Sarah Hamel  
John Hardy



Christy Harndon  
Charles Harris  
Amanda Hebblethwaite  
Isiah Henderson  
Yolanda Herrera  
Nichelle Hester



Heather Hinken  
Jeremy Hofferth  
David Huerta  
Alma Hurtado  
Lisabeth Igartua  
Shannon Jacobs



Michael Jancosek  
Jennifer Jenkins  
Tamie Jenkins  
Darien Johnson  
Kim Johnson  
Tim Johnson



Kelly Johnston  
Barbara Jones  
Nakia Jones  
Nenuka Jones  
Nathan Kelding  
Jennifer King

Everett Koonce  
Alejandro Lagunas  
Donald Lair  
Sean Lennon  
Lisa Lesniewski  
Anita Lewis



Antonio Lewis  
Terrance Lloyd  
Tameka Lockett  
John Lomax  
Michelle Lopez  
Rachel Lundstrom



Dana Lydick  
Aresha Maclin  
Lorlei Manning  
Clifton Martell  
Camila Martinez  
Heather Matney



Shaytah Maton  
Catalina Medina  
Oscar Mejia  
Fernando Mendieta  
Orlando Mendoza  
Elizabeth Mercado



Melody Mims  
Arturo Miramontes  
Melinda Miranda  
Richard Mitchell  
Matt Monberg  
April Moore



Pete Moore  
Bruno Moreno  
Lelia Morgan  
Aja Morris  
Curtis Mueller  
Ryan Murphy



Jennifer Nichols  
Alicia Nicholas  
Tara Patterson  
Jorge Penate  
Ann Perez  
Marie Perkins





Kristie Potts  
Teresa Price  
Rebecca Quigley  
Don Quiroz  
Leo Ramos  
Tina Rangel



Chris Rardin  
Gregory Raschke  
Roger Raskosky  
Carlos Recio  
Willie Rambert  
Jennifer Rencich



Jose Reyes  
Cory Richardson  
Michael Rivera  
Dora Roa  
Byron Robinson  
Colin Robinson



Evelyn Rodriguez  
Ruben Rosario  
Tameka Ross  
Jeff Rutherford  
David Saldana  
Darleia Scepkowski



Reginald Scott  
Jenette Serbertas  
Tim Sheppard  
Rebecca Sifuentes  
Ed Simmons  
Angela  
Slomczewski



Chanda Smith  
Marvin Smith  
Ryan Smith  
Sanika Smith  
Kenan Spears  
Richard Spencer



Antania Stanley  
Nicholas Stephens  
Rachel Stern  
Tom Stessi  
Misty Strain  
Naecm Tall



Antoinette Taylor  
April Taylor  
Tameka Thomas  
Carolyn  
Thompkins  
Chezney  
Thompson  
John Thorgen



Lori Tortolano  
Jon Toscano  
Anthony Trice  
Misty Tubbs  
Olivia Tussy  
Lakisha Valliant



Carlos Vargas  
Edward Vela  
Donna Veyette  
Jennifer Walker  
Shanese Wash  
Anthony White



Bonita White  
Derrick White  
Jerry White  
Danisha Williams  
Fred Williams  
Lashaunta  
Williams



Joseph Wills  
Adam Wilson  
Jason Witkowski  
Michael Wytrykus  
Raymond Zack





# Retakes

## *Freshmen*



Melissa Hamel  
Donnel Martin  
Luz Mercado  
Dallas Phillips  
Tabatha Simpson  
Vinny Vaccaro

## *Sophomores*



Christine Bellinger  
Karen Brehmer  
Eric Jones  
Genetra King  
Veronica Regalado  
Crystal Smith

## *Juniors*



Rodney Digby  
Tyra Price  
Charles Robinson  
Phil Vaccaro  
Manisha Winston

Class colors-*Purple and White*

Motto-*In ourselves our future lies.*

# Seniors

*Flower-Morning Glory*

Lymarie Alicea  
Jose Araujo  
Michael Austin  
Samuel Baez  
Berry Baldrige  
Anna Barrera  
Richard Barren  
Shannon Bartlett  
Laura Baughard



Stacey Bell  
Darlene Bellinger  
Heather Birmingham  
Holly Biro  
Billy Bonhama  
Sparkle Box  
Daniel Brehmer  
Angela Brown  
Latisha Brown



Patricia Bulatovich  
Victoria Camper  
John Campos  
Ruben Castellanos  
Charles Chambers  
Torrey Chambliss  
Alexis Choss  
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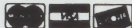
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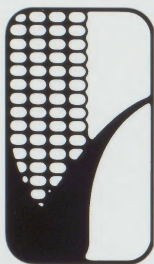
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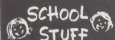
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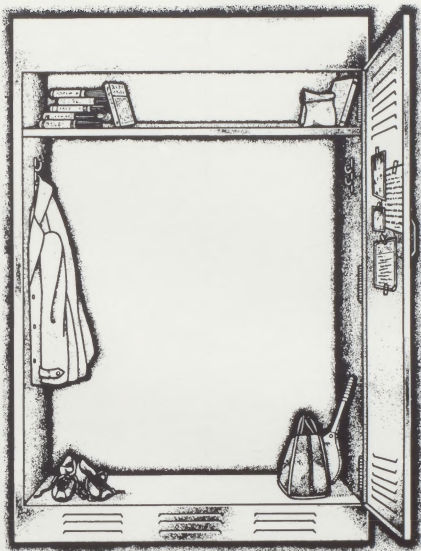
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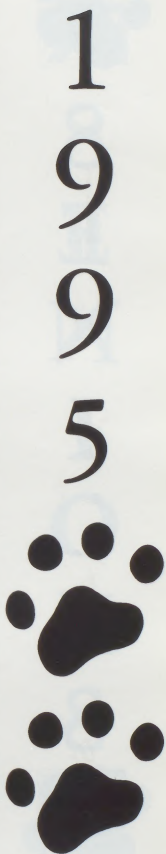
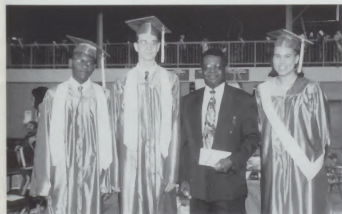
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This section is dedicated to the graduating seniors of the Class of 1995. After four years of hard work and dedication, the seniors are finally ready to take their first steps away from Hammond High School and into the world that lies before them. Their futures are uncertain, but they still look forward, their eyes full of hope and their hearts full of dreams, ready to overcome whatever obstacles that may stand in their way. Still, everyone needs a reminder of past happiness when times are dark, and that is what this section is for; it is here to give the seniors one last glimpse into their final year of HHS, the year that they made things happen.







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# Seniors Look to the Future

The day that the seniors had been looking forward to ever since they were freshmen at Hammond High finally arrived on Sunday, June 4, 1995. It was a day of great joy and a time to celebrate, but it was also a time of sadness. As Mr. White mentioned, it was the last time that the Class of 1995 would ever be assembled as one group. Of course, there were tears as people thought about friends and teachers that will be missed. Above the tears, though, there were many smiles — smiles from thinking about all the wonderful memories of Hammond High and things to come in the future.

In Hammond High's crowded gymnasium, parents, relatives and friends watched, smiled and cried as Mr. Don Sohaki of the school board handed the graduates their diplomas. Now the graduates will go on to be business people, doctors, lawyers, teachers. As they go on to be successful in the future, the memories they gained and lessons they learned at Hammond High will always be with them. The graduates, always proud to be Wildcats, will be the world's future leaders and heroes.

by: Jeffrey Dick



Senior Deborah Colon helps friend Jennie Vega with her sash.

Some senior guys take time to smile for the camera as they wait to be lined up.





Senior sponsor Mr. Hayden (left) gives students some last minute instructions.

Tricia Bulatovich and Maggie Foster (below, left) fill their last minutes as high school students by playing a hand game.

Christopher Medlin (below, right) soothes his nerves by taking a sip of Mountain Dew.



The 1995 Senior Class stands to receive instructions from Mr. White.

Valedictorian Jeffrey Dick and Salutatorian Shannon Bartlett lead the class into the gym for the ceremony.





Class of 1995 graduates gather with their friends, fellow classmates and family. For some, it is for the last time.

Graduate Amber Freese is congratulated by ecstatic junior Patty Eberle.

The Class of 1995 Valedictorian Jeffrey Dick speaks of dreams and goals.



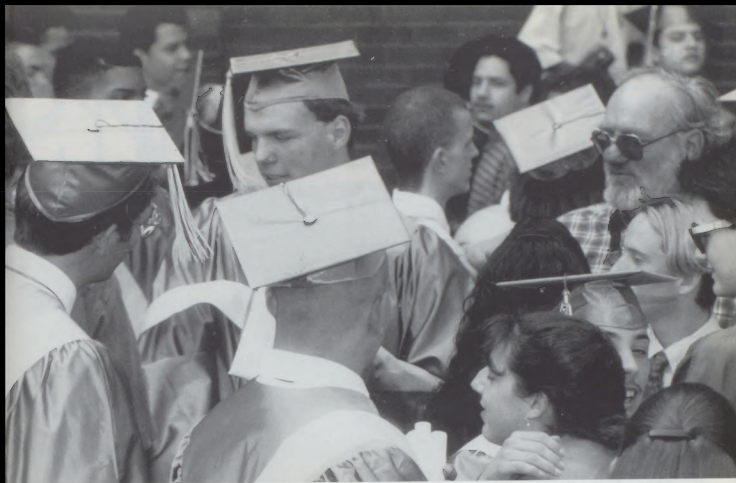
The Class of 1995 (above, right) is met by happy family members and friends.

The Class of 1995 Salutatorian Shannon Bartlett speaks of the class's accomplishments.

Senior band members Donald Weems and Maria Spector play for the last time.







Berry Baldridge heads to his seat.

Graduate Yecenia Miramontes, decked out in balloons and flowers, smiles for the camera.

Choir members Andria Weems, Tashia Cummings and Ebony Rutherford perform one last song.



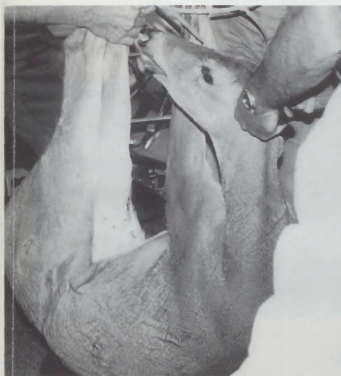
# W H A T'S



Well, another year has ended and another chapter has closed in the story of Hammond High School. Your humble Dunes staff and fellow classmates have worked diligently all year to put together a small souvenir to remind you of the 1994-95 school year, and, although it's not perfect, we hope that it is a worthy memento of the events that made it a year to remember. Now that the year is over, it leaves us wondering **WHAT'S NEXT?** for the Wildcats. As we can only record the present as it

happens, we can only hazard a guess. For the underclassmen who continue on at our dear HHS, you will probably have another exciting year, full of broken records and new achievements. As for the seniors, it is impossible to know. We can only wish them the best of luck as they make their way into an uncertain world and go their separate ways. In closing, the 1995 yearbook staff would like to bid you a fond farewell and the best of luck.

# N E X T?



The security escorts a trespasser off the premises.

Cheerleader Merisha Jones watches the game.

Jennifer Michaels works on her art project.

Sparkle Box, opposite, hangs a ribbon.

Cory Baker, Matt Monberg and Ian Bertalan, far left, look on in awe.



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